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Poised to pick a government

Last chance to vote. One more day of balloting before the municipal election is decided

Months of speculation that began when Peter Kelly announced he would not re-offer as mayor of HRM are almost at an end.

Electronic advanced voting has ended in the 2012 municipal election, and regular balloting begins Saturday at 8 a.m.

About 12 hours later, residents will know who will be sitting around the council table — and who will be at its head.

For one local government expert, nothing has happened to alter former MP Mike Savage's status as the front-runner.

"He's done nothing wrong to cause people to move away," said Dalhousie University professor Jack Novack. "Name recognition will count for an awful lot ... He also has a very well-run machine that's going to be helping to get the votes out, and I think he's probably well-financed, and all those things count."

Novack says the campaign lost momentum when Kelly decided not to run for a fourth term, leading to a race focused on HRM's future — but only in

Election results

Metro Halifax will have complete real-time election results online Saturday evening. Visit metrohalifax.ca/halifax after the polls close at 7 p.m.

very broad terms.

"What does our future economy look like, what does our future development look like, what is our role in terms of arts and culture?" said Novack. "Those are issues which have been kind of dealt with, but not in a way that allows people to have clear choices between candidates."

Novack says the most remarkable part of the election might turn out to be the way in which voters were able to make their choice.

"Electronic voting could be a game changer and I'm dying to see what impact that has," he said.

Returning Officer Cathy Mellet says the results so far are promising. Turnout climbed steadily through the final days of advanced polling and by its end Thursday, it reached 22.47 per cent.

Overall turnout was 37 per cent in 2008.

RUTH DAVENPORT/METRO

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A new mayor and council will be voted into Halifax City Hall this weekend, with polls closing Saturday at 7 p.m. JEFF HARPER/METRO

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Bullied teen fights back

Anti-bullying. After years of turmoil, 14-year-old Dartmouth teen is well again — and speaking out

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On Dec. 16, 2010, 12-year-old Toni Nicholas snapped.

She downed 80 extra-strength Tylenol, laid on her bed, hoping to die.

She wouldn't have woken up, said the doctor who saved her life, if it wasn't for her mother who checked up on her one last time before bed.

Bullying was the cause. Singled out by her Grade 3 teacher for her razor sharp intellect, Toni then became the subject of endless physical and emotional torment.

She received constant death threats. One altercation left her with a broken foot.

More than two years later, after dozens of suicide attempts and years of psychiatric care, Toni is better. The 14-year-old Dartmouth teen is determined to spare as many youths as she can from having to go through her nightmare.

Amanda Todd's tragic suicide last week as a result of relentless bullying was the last straw. "Her death gave me the extra push because now people are starting to pay attention. We need change. It has to start with our generation."

She'll be leading a candlelight service for Todd and the countless other victims of bullying on Oct. 28 at Alderney Landing.

Toni plans to bring a bucket containing names of dozens of youth who have committed suicide and who were victims of bullying. Participants will pick a name and after each one is called a candle will be lit in their honour. Everyone is invited.

"Come to give advice, get advice, whatever," she said. "It will be a place where people can tell their story and feel safe."

Quoted

"I'm sick of seeing my generation being stolen from under my feet."

Toni Nicholas

She's also launching a fund-raising campaign to support her new support group called Generation Change, a place where bullied teens can go for support.

Toni admits she wouldn't have recovered without the help of Teens Now Talk magazine, for which she wrote and used as a constant reference through her ordeal. That, and her family, especially her mom Sherry.

For Sherry, her daughter continues to be a source of inspiration.

"Think how far she's come and what she's been through," said Sherry. "She's so brave."

Generation Change — Candlelight Service

- **Where.** Alderney Landing
- **When.** Oct. 28, from 4 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- **Why.** To remember Amanda Todd and all bullied youths who turn to suicide.



Amanda Todd FACEBOOK/HANDOUT



Toni Nicholas is planning on holding a candlelight vigil to raise awareness about bullying later this month.

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Meet the contestants! Council candidates on the spot

We asked all council candidates to tell us, in their own 50 words or third-person, why they should be the next representative in their district. Below are the responses for Districts 9-16 candidates. Districts 1-8 ran on Thursday. An entire list can be viewed at metronews.ca/halifax

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District 9: Peninsula West-Armdale

Giovanni (John) Abati: I understand the links between a prosperous regional municipality and a healthy environment. Thirty years experience in watershed planning (urban and rural), 30 years experience in environmental education (habitats and species). Experience to achieve: Efficient transportation and sustainable development through open government and prudent spending.

Richard MacLean: My experience working with local, provincial and national organizations, and the positive change and collaborative discourse I have brought to those groups by working with stakeholders, not against them, is imperative for the HRM and the district. I have helped create long-term plans and policies and followed them to achieve success.

Linda Mosher: I am the one candidate that has the proven ability to deliver significant results for residents — bike lanes, Chain of Lakes Trail, Dingle Park Restoration. I work 60-plus hours a week moving Halifax forward by engaging with residents, addressing their concerns, researching solutions, and using persuasive leadership to deliver results.

John Wimberly: We can do better. I entered the race to offer a clear vision, a new direction, and a real understanding of the issues. Working people want reliable public transit, safe communities, and smart development. I am committed to working to achieve these goals. With your help we can do it.

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District 10: Birch Cove-Rockingham-Fairview

Kurt Bulger: We are on the edge of becoming a great city, not just a nice city, but we need a council that is united and strategic in its

efforts. It is a time for change and bold steps. Councilors need to address their local needs but at the same time be aware of the larger picture.

John Thiabeau: I have acquired the knowledge and information necessary to fulfill the responsibilities required of a city councillor. I have strong leadership, communication and personal skills required to effectively make informed decisions for residents and to keep them informed. I have a passion to help. For trust and for change.

Russell Walker: I have a very comprehensive understanding of the strengths and needs of District 10. I have lived, raised my family and taught school here. Prior to being on council I volunteered in scouting, hockey, baseball and on the residents association. I am a full-time councillor and am readily accessible.

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District 11: Spryfield-Sambro-Prospect Road

Stephen Adams: Voters should elect me as their councillor as I have the experience and leadership to ensure they are well represented at the neighbourhood, community and council level. I have a proven track record of results and a very good reputation of working collaboratively with all individuals and community groups alike.

Peter Grabosky: Policy is decided by the majority vote but we must not forget the minority. We need to establish affordable rent and housing projects with sustainable green spaces and local markets; create co-ops run by students and adult advisors from business and volunteer communities; and develop an advisory committee of seniors, women and youth to assist the 30 communities of District 11.

Jim Hoskins: I have been retired now for seven years from the Halifax Regional Police and have served my community for 36 years as a municipal employee and volunteer. I will be a full-time councillor and I also live in the district in Spryfield. I believe in term limits and a



Tim Outhit, an incumbent, and Mark Ward are the two candidates running in District 16: Bedford-Wentworth. JEFF HARPER/METRO

tax structure that is fair for all residents.

Tom Lavers: With my 25 years experience working for the city I have witnessed the lack of accountability and poor decisions made by departments and council. Along with my more than 20 years of business experience I know I can make positive change and help lead this city to a more positive future.

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District 12: Timberlea-Beechville-Clayton Park West

P. Rano Khokar: Did not respond.

Reg Rankin: Twenty-one years of experience being a councillor representing constituents in different communities outside of Timberlea, including Hammonds Plains, Hubley, Beechville, Lakeside and the many different communities along Prospect Road. I would enjoy working closely with Clayton Park and Wedgewood residents as I have with other communities throughout my six terms.

Bruce E. Smith: An active community member. Halifax NW Trails Association Director. I will take a balanced approach to development that will safeguard our neighbourhoods. I work to protect community parks. Public transportation, urban redevelopment and taxation reform are my immediate

focus. I have vision, enthusiasm, wisdom and energy balanced with maturity.

Mary Wile: Experience as a business education teacher and as a small business owner. Councillor for two terms for Clayton Park West. Achieved many district initiatives such as sidewalks, transit, trails, an accessible playground. Worked on the Stratford Way Gardens and Korea War Memorial. I will give full commitment to promoting greater engagement at all levels of the new District 12.

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District 13: Hammonds Plains-St. Margarets

Peter Lund: Has 28 years of professional experience solving environmental challenges for multi-stakeholders including all three levels of government, financial institutions, law firms and industry. Peter is out in the community, listens, understands issues and is solution-oriented. He is patient yet persistent, passionate and outspoken on issues the community cares about.

Doug Poulton: A 26-year resident of Glen Haven with 20 of those years operating the White Sails Bakery (Tantallon) has made me service-oriented, trustworthy, accountable, dependable and a strong voice in the district. Area knowledge and knowing the issues that we encounter as taxpayers in District 13, plus my determination, make me the ideal candidate.

Matt Whitman: For 20 years I have built a reputation and a career based on serving others and helping others. I am known as someone who "works well with others." I will represent HRM 13 with consistency, respect and collaboration. It's time for a fresh vision from an accessible, transparent team player.

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District 14: Upper/Middle Sackville-Beaver Bank

Brad (BJ) Johns: As a lifelong Sackville resident, and currently councillor, I understand the challenges District 14 residents face. I live here, not an hour away in another community. Your issues are my issues. I have the proven experience and knowledge to provide strong representation for residents on a significantly smaller regional council.

Laurie Sauers: HRM is broken. Re-electing Deputy Mayor Brad Johns is madness. Here is my oath: I will represent all areas of my district equally and promise to fight for your concerns. Having lived in vibrant cities — Calgary, Vancouver and Denver — I realize the potential HRM has. Change is scary, but necessary.

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District 15: Lower Sackville

Steve Craig: HRM council requires experienced and caring leadership. I bring 30 years proven diverse management experience in a large business, and 30 years deep community knowledge and understanding gained through active volunteerism at leadership and governance levels. With this experience I will work hand-in-hand with others for the benefit of HRM.

Janet Langille: I am offering to represent my community as an elected public servant to be its decision maker as we create together an improved and more sustainable community. I want a

strong Sackville in a strong municipality based on a quality of life second to none for my family and yours.

Stephen Taylor: I want to fight for Lower Sackville's priorities. I am talking about free transit days for seniors, community transit, flooding, reliable services and smarter spending. These issues are not being addressed. We need a responsible council. It's time for action. If you agree, I hope you will vote for me.

Curt Wentzell: Since many councillors will not be returning to office, this is an excellent opportunity to get HRM back on track. The previous council impeded itself by playing party politics. Since I do not belong to any party, I can transparently work with anyone while remaining accountable without patronage or limitations.

Ian Wilson: Municipal government is the truest form of community representation. The decisions made by regional council directly affect HRM. With decades of direct involvement in both the educational and recreational programs within Sackville I know the issues affecting our community. I have also had the opportunity to prove my leadership and commitment to our community.

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District 16: Bedford-Wentworth

Tim Outhit: Over the past four years I have done exactly what I told my constituents I would do. I demonstrated leadership, action, transparency, and my ability to communicate and collaborate. I have helped achieve smaller government, new facilities and infrastructure, and fought tax increases.

Mark Ward: I have a chance to make a difference and be a leader in our community. As a committed volunteer I have a sincere desire to make our community a better place. My energy and enthusiasm is my most important asset to be a successful councillor and I will learn the rest.

RUTH DAVENPORT/METRO

The men who would be mayor

Metro News asked the six men running for mayor to answer two short questions about their intentions if elected. Their responses are as submitted, edited only for length:

QUESTION 1: What's the one thing you're determined to accomplish as mayor in the next four years?

QUESTION 2: What's the one thing the previous administration did that you will NOT do or allow to happen as mayor?

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Mike Savage



1. I entered this race to provide open, collegial, effective leadership. I want citizens to feel connected to government; I want to reform campaign financing; I want to share data and benchmark progress. Our potential is unlimited. It starts with new, open leadership. Let's get started.

2. The eviction of the Occupy protesters on Remembrance Day last year was a betrayal of the protesters, an insult to our veterans, and an embarrassment for all of us in HRM. I believe we must deal fairly, treat everyone with respect, and make citizens proud to live in HRM.

Robert Wesley McCormack



1. Fix the transit system so that buses arrive on time and main routes are more frequently serviced. Increase ridership without breaking the bank account of city hall.

2. Send out mixed signals, whether it be to community groups, developers or protesters at city hall.

Steve Mackie



1. Before we can make things better, we have to stop them from becoming any worse. I believe this can only be accomplished by addressing the root cause of many issues in HRM, that being suburban sprawl. That...would mitigate such issues as transit, roads and infrastructure services costs, police response times, small business and business district growth and prosperity, lower cost of housing ... by focusing development in core areas of HRM.

2. I will not let the interests of developers and concert promoters override the will of the citizens. We need to start to progress the thinking from "open" government to "open-source" government where the people have greater participation by taking advantage of technology. By developing apps and websites hosting crowd-sourced data. All council meetings should be held in public, recorded on video and broadcast on TV and on the internet.

Fred Connors



1. Exciting the best of Canadian talent and supporting a vision of HRM that will attract them to move here, establish careers here, open businesses here, contribute to leadership here are the initiatives that I am focused on the most. Offering the amenities, the resources, the opportunities for success and the attractiveness to the population we need the most will be my biggest accomplishments.

2. Council's biggest mistake was walking away from tax reform. Members of council have to put away their concern about their re-election and do what is right for the community. They have to moderate taxes imposed on small business. Tough decisions have to be made and council should not be spending \$16 million on consultants to make the decisions they were elected to make themselves.

Tom Martin



1. To create an environment at city hall where council and the mayor are working respectfully together for the benefit of the entire municipality and to implement an atmosphere of openness and transparency that will facilitate city hall regaining the trust and respect of the citizens it serves.

2. I will not allow or support the new council keeping citizens in the dark or at arm's length. I will ask for legislative changes from the province that describe in a more defined manner the circumstances for "in camera" sessions and I will want the reasons and topic of the "in camera" session made public. I will also support recording all "in camera" sessions so that once the prescribed time period for legal jeopardy has passed, these recordings would become public record.

Aaron Eisses



1. Improve the existing transit system. A transit app where you can hook into the buses' GPS would be a big help, as would audio stop declaration, and implementation of one of the many high-frequency bus plans.

2. Excessive use of consultants that cost the taxpayers money and do nothing other than offer the administration an excuse when things go wrong.

Bonus question

If running mates were a part of the mayoral race, who would you have chosen and why?

To find out how the men answered this question, go to metronews.ca.



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Police chief retires with a lasting legacy

Frank Beazley. Focusing on preventing gun violence at the forefront of the chief's goals, and he spent his final days rallying for the cause

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It wasn't easy, but Frank Beazley says he has no regrets.

In his 10-year tenure as chief of Halifax Regional Police, he was faced with the worst period of gun violence the city had ever seen. There were more homicides committed in HRM last year than ever before. But things, he says, are getting better.

Under his direction, Beazley says police have zeroed in on violent crim-

als. He's also introduced a guns and gang unit.

Beazley, who will hand the reigns over to incoming chief Jean-Michel Blais Friday during a ceremony at Pier 21, says he has always taken an optimistic, community approach to police forcing during his 42-year career.

He saw to it that police offices went into every public housing community in HRM. During his tenure, HRP partnered with several community crime

prevention groups, including the United Way's Action for Neighbourhood Change.

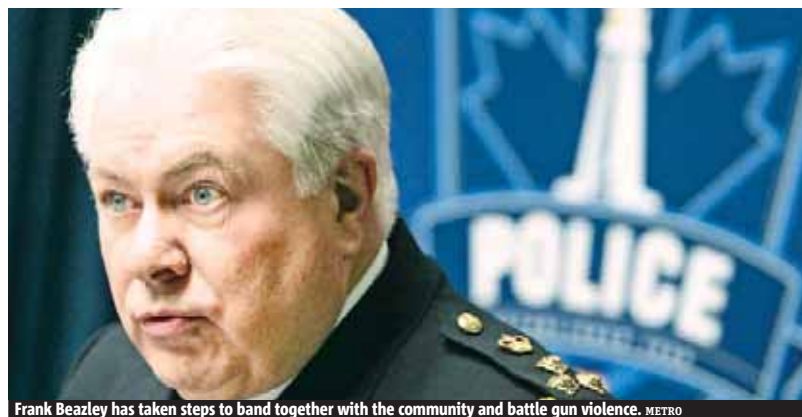
The result he says: crime has gone down.

"I always felt good about the fact that I was able to go into communities having problems and I was able to work with people to find solutions," Beazley said Thursday, during his last official full day as chief. "I think they're better today and they welcome police in a different more welcoming way."

To his critics who say he didn't do enough to combat the violence, he says he's done the best with what he was given.

"It's easy to criticize, but you take the resources you have and you target people, but that has always been the biggest challenge of my career."

He says he's seen the worst in people and the



Frank Beazley has taken steps to band together with the community and battle gun violence. METRO

Quoted

"There are many more wonderful people who try very hard to do good things. Those are the people I chose to partner with to make change."

Frank Beazley, chief of Halifax Regional Police
On what made him successful on eve of retirement

Hazing incident being probed

Dalhousie University is investigating an alleged hazing incident involving rookie members of its women's hockey team.

University spokesman Charles Crosby says a first-year athlete approached the team's coach with concerns about the treatment of new players at a private house party in September.

He would not elaborate on what is alleged to have occurred, but says the vice-president of student services

has launched an investigation and is interviewing each member of the team.

Crosby says no one was physically hurt in the alleged incident, adding that members signed a so-called behavioural contract on Thursday.

He says athletes could be suspended from games or face other disciplinary measures if the claims are found to be true, but games have not been cancelled as a result of the investigation.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Crime

Police seek four male suspects after youth robbery

Police are looking for four males after two youth were robbed outside Mic Mac Mall on Wednesday night.

The victims, both 15, were walking away from the mall after purchasing a skateboard deck around 8:30 p.m. Four teens then walked towards them, with one taking the deck after issuing a threat.

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Located

Missing woman found safe

Halifax police have located a missing Dartmouth woman.

Paulette Doyle, 30, hadn't been heard from since last Thursday. Police say Doyle left a friend's house on Highfield Park Drive in Dartmouth around 10 p.m. on Wednesday.

On Thursday morning, police announced that Doyle had been located safe and sound.

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Break-in

Robber flees house after being spotted

Police say a man called police after someone broke into his Bedford home on Thursday afternoon.

Just before 2 p.m., police say a man knocked on the person's door on Granville Road, and when he didn't get an answer, broke in.

After noticing the homeowner was inside, police say the suspect fled towards Highway 102.

There have been no arrests. METRO

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Relaunch. Masts being hoisted on restored Bluenose II

Another step in the restoration of Nova Scotia's sailing ambassador is taking place in Lunenburg.

The Bluenose II was relaunched last month to much fanfare after an extensive two-year, \$15.9-million restoration that saw its entire hull and much of its deck replaced.

Beginning Thursday, the iconic schooner's masts will be hoisted into place by a crane in a process known as

stepping.

In keeping with tradition, two coins — a 2012 silver dollar and a commemorative coin created by Amos Pewter in nearby Mahone Bay — will be placed in each of the masts as tokens of good luck.

Unlike much of the vessel, the provincial government says the Douglas fir masts were not replaced as part of the restoration.

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Charges

Drug trafficking probe leads to more arrests

RCMP in Nova Scotia say nine people face charges following a five-month investigation into the drug trade in rural communities.

Police say the eight men and one woman were arrested Wednesday and are charged with conspiracy to traffic in a variety of

narcotics.

The suspects are all from Nova Scotia and range between the ages of 32 and 60.

The investigation involved RCMP and local police, and targeted the trafficking of drugs in Annapolis and Kings counties.

The Mounties say officers have seized nearly 10,000 tabs of methamphetamine, as well as marijuana, cocaine, illegal cigarettes, cash, firearms and vehicles as part of the probe.

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Spotlight. Top flamenco performer David Romero to hit the Spatz stage

Another Fall For Flamenco Festival is wrapping up on Friday night with a never before-seen show in Canada.

David Romero is taking to the stage at Spatz Theatre at 8 p.m. as the nine-day event's featured performer.

Romero is considered one of the world's top flamenco performers.

Tickets range in price from \$20 to \$32.

Flamenco events and workshops have taken place over the city, which began Oct. 11. METRO



David Romero
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Local artist's work to tour North America

Halifax artist Rob Malay, third from the right, unveils his eight-foot piece entitled ANA in front of the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia on Thursday. ANA is about to head out on a tour of major art galleries in North America.

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Judge rules city doctor negligent

Responsibility. Doctor may have caused stroke that left Cape Breton woman with locked-in syndrome

A Nova Scotia Supreme Court justice has ruled that a Halifax doctor was negligent in the standard of care provided to a Louisbourg woman who suffered a stroke and is now trapped inside her body.

Victoria Renata Anderson was 23 when she suf-

fered a stroke in 1997 after doctors attempted to insert a central line in her internal jugular vein.

The procedure failed and Anderson suffered a stroke at the base of her brain, which left her in a state known as locked-in syndrome. While Anderson still maintains cognitive brain function, the only muscles she can voluntarily move are those controlling her eyes, which is her sole source of communication.

In a 102-page decision released Thursday, Justice Cindy Bourgeois ruled that Dr. Shirl Gee, who at the

time was a senior medical resident in internal medicine, struck an artery twice while attempting to insert the line into Anderson's neck. In addition, the judge said the placement of Anderson's head during the procedure was not in accordance with recognized protocol for such a procedure.

Bourgeois also concluded Gee failed to secure informed consent from Anderson before the procedure.

"In my view, there is sufficient evidence for the court to establish that Dr.

Gee's actions on April 5, 1997, could have caused Ms. Anderson's stroke," said Bourgeois.

The suit also named a second doctor, Dr. Sudheer Sharma, who at the time was a junior medical resident. However, Bourgeois dismissed any claim against Sharma, who is now a cardiologist.

Anderson was admitted to the QEII Health Sciences Centre in Halifax after being transferred from a Sydney hospital where she was being treated for a flare-up of her chronic bowel disease. CAPE BRETON POST

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Omnibus budget changes. Big bill tables widespread revisions and reductions

The latest omnibus budget bill from the Harper government makes changes to everything from the Indian Act and the Canadian Labour Code to the Canada Shipping Act.

The bill kills off independent tribunals that examined things such as hazardous materials in the workplace and set the rates for employment insurance premiums, while making workers pay taxes on their employers' contributions to group health and accident insurance plans.

It also sharply reduces project approvals required under the Navigable Waters Protection Act, sets time limits on worker complaints under the Canada Labour Code and makes additional changes to an Environmental Assessment Act that was essentially rewritten by the Conservative government last spring.

It lays out a whole new act for the building of a new bridge from Windsor, Ont., to Detroit, while exempting the project from "a number of federal laws under which permits, approvals or authorizations would normally be required."

The bill — the second of two massive implementa-

Opposition

In response to Finance Minister Jim Flaherty's comments, citing the words of a young Stephen Harper, opposition MPs responded that the sprawling omnibus bill is exactly what's preventing them from doing their job — examining proposed legislation in detail and depth.

tion acts based on the March federal budget — contains no surprises, said Finance Minister Jim Flaherty, who angrily accused the opposition of being too lazy to read last spring's federal spending blueprint.

"What's in the bill today is in the budget," Flaherty snapped in the House of Commons.

"If you haven't read the budget, I say to my honourable friends on the other side, I don't know what you did all summer.... Do your work. Do your job."

Critics suggest the devil is always in the details — and at 457 pages, the omnibus legislation includes a lot of them.

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Minister of Finance Jim Flaherty speaks during question period in the House of Commons in Ottawa, Thursday. The minister's contentious omnibus budget bill is the focus of intense criticism from the opposition. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Calgary couple who survived Costa Concordia wreck 'hope for justice'

Finding peace after trauma. Passenger who opted to swim for safety rather than abandon her husband awaits results of inquiry



JEREMY NOLAÏS
Metro in Calgary

Survival was only the beginning.

That's the working title of a book Andrea Davis is penning about her ordeal aboard the ill-fated Costa Concordia cruise ship, and the subsequent struggle upon returning home to Calgary.

Davis and her husband, Laurence, had only just ordered a bottle of wine at a dining hall aboard the massive vessel when it smashed into rocks off the Tuscan Island of Giglio on Jan. 13.

With water pouring into the ship, Davis refused to separate from her husband and take one remaining seat aboard a lifeboat. Instead, the couple swam for shore together, spending more than 20 minutes in frigid water.

Back at home, Davis was diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder.

In July, the couple returned to the island for the first time since the wreck to view the ship, still overturned at sea, and meet with some of the locals, who embraced them with open arms.

"I knew that this was a medical prescription for me, something I needed to do



Andrea Davis plants a kiss on her grandson after arriving at Calgary International Airport in January, days after surviving the Costa Concordia shipwreck. METRO FILE

In it together

"They had one spot (on the lifeboat) and they asked Andrea if she wanted to come in, and we looked at each other and decided we're in this together. 'There's no way we're separating.'"

Costa Concordia shipwreck survivor Laurence Davis
After about a 20-minute swim in frigid water, Davis and his wife, Andrea, made it to shore with minor scrapes.

... to walk across the rocks, to see the path that we had climbed through on that dark and scary night, to see

how far we were from land, to see the sunken ship and this horrific, rested memorial of our trauma," she said.

The family has been watching closely as an inquiry into the Concordia wreck and the actions of Capt. Francesco Schettino, who could stand trial for multiple counts of manslaughter and abandoning ship, got underway this week.

"We hope for justice ... everyone in this world deserves justice," Davis said.

Thirty-two people died in the Costa Concordia tragedy.



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Scout 'perversion files' made public

Alleged abuse. Nearly 15,000 pages of documented sex abuse allegations involving the scouts were released Thursday

U.S. Boy Scout leaders, police officials, prosecutors and mayors helped hush up numerous child sex abuse

allegations against scoutmasters and other volunteers, according to details in a trove of nearly 15,000 pages of so-called "perversion files" compiled by the Scouts from 1959 to the mid-1980s.

Portland attorney Kelly Clark released the files on Thursday online.

The Associated Press obtained copies of the files weeks in advance and con-

ducted an extensive review of them.

The files document allegations of sex abuse by Scouting volunteers across the country. The Scouts have been collecting the documents since the early 1900s and continue to do so.

At a news conference, Clark blasted the Boy Scouts for their continuing legal battles to try to keep the full collection of files secret.

"You do not keep secrets hidden about dangers to children," said Clark, who in 2010 won a landmark lawsuit against the Boy Scouts on behalf of a plaintiff who was molested by an assistant scoutmaster in the 1980s.

Clark's colleague, Paul Mones, said the files in the Portland case represent "the pain and anguish of thousands of Scouts" who were abused by Scout leaders.

The two attorneys were releasing all 14,500 documents used in the Portland case at their website: kellyclarkattorney.com.

Clark has been in possession of the files since he represented a Portland man who was abused by his assistant scoutmaster in the 1980s. That lawsuit culminated in a jury finding in his client's favour in 2010.

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Kelly Clark
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Apology. Actress takes back Bernardo tweet that 'crossed that line'

Girls star Lena Dunham is apologizing for making a Paul Bernardo joke on Twitter that drew immediate fire from Canadian fans.

The 26-year-old HBO phenom suggested she and her celebrity friends dress up as Bernardo, Karla Homolka and one of their victims for Halloween.

She said in a tweet to fellow comics Mindy Kaling and B.J. Novak: "You guys go as killer Canadian couple Paul Bernardo & Karla Homolka. I'll be her sister they murdered."

Fans complained online and even the lawyer for Bernardo's victims weighed in when contacted by a Toronto reporter, saying Dunham "crossed that line."

Dunham is now apologizing, saying in a follow-up tweet: "Obviously didn't



Lena Dunham
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understand what a painful part of the Canadian identity the Bernardo/Homolka case was."

Dunham has 387,579 followers on Twitter.

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Fame Daddy

Sperm bank hoax

A British television network says it was duped by an actor pretending to be the chief of a celebrity sperm bank called Fame Daddy.

ITV's This Morning program carried an interview Wednesday with a man identified as Dan Richards. He said his company would match women with famous and affluent sperm donors.

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Catholic scandal

Cops arrest priest

Police in Croatia say they've arrested a Catholic priest who allegedly made off with more than \$1 million euros of church money.

Police said Thursday they launched a criminal probe against priest Sime Nimac after the Church accused him of illegally selling church land for \$1.3 million and taking the cash.

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Britain looking for spy kids

Apprentice 007s.
British program open to bright 18-year-olds who will undergo technical training and work placements

How's this for a job title — secret agent's apprentice.

The British government is recruiting teenage apprentice spies and codebreakers without university degrees in a bid to deepen the talent pool of its intelligence services for the era of cyberterrorism and cyberwarfare.

Foreign Secretary William Hague announced the program Thursday in a speech at Bletchley Park, Britain's Second World War code-breaking headquarters.

"Young people are the key to our country's future success, just as they were during the war," Hague said.

"It will be the young innovators of this generation who will help keep our country safe in years to come against threats which are every bit as serious as some of those confronted in the Second World

War."

The Foreign Office said the apprenticeship program aims to find up to 100 new recruits for GCHQ — Britain's electronic surveillance agency — and the MI5 and MI6 and intelligence services. The idea is to expand recruitment of spies beyond the traditional method of a discreet "tap on the shoulder" at university.

The program will be open to bright 18-year-olds with backgrounds in science, technology, engineering and even computer gaming. They will undergo a two-year course of university classes, technical training and work placements before starting full-time jobs.

High-school students will also be invited to take part in a "national cipher challenge" competition intended to inspire pupils to consider careers in mathematics and cybersecurity.

The Foreign Office said the goal was to "harness the expertise of its young people, who have grown up with a world of social media, global connectivity and interactive gaming, to make sure we can tackle the threats and challenges of the 21st century."

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This 2009 file photo shows Mike Hillyard, one of the volunteers who rebuilt a replica of the Turing Bombe machine that played a crucial part in cracking the Nazi Enigma Code, standing by the machine at Bletchley Park in Milton Keynes, England. The British government is recruiting apprentice spies and codebreakers without university degrees in a bid to deepen the talent pool of its intelligence services. AKIRA SUEMORI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Anti-marijuana ad racist and inaccurate, Williams says



Montel Williams supports legalizing medical marijuana.

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Talk show host Montel Williams accused an ad against legalizing medical marijuana of resorting to "racism" after the commercial depicted an African-American drug dealer.

Williams, an outspoken supporter of medical marijuana, appeared Thursday at the state capital alongside members of Arkansans for Compassionate Care, which is campaigning for Arkansas' legalization measure on the Nov. 6 ballot. He criticized an ad aired by a coalition of conservative groups that opposes the proposal.

"Offensive is really an understatement. It's the most egregiously racist, false statement you've ever seen in your life," Williams said. "They've (got) people sitting in a picture holding guns, talking about medical marijuana, and of course they happen to be of different colours to make sure you're as irritated and angry as you can be."

Jerry Cox, the president of the Arkansas Family Council and a member of the coalition, denied that the ad was aimed at stoking any kind of racial animus and defended the spot as accurate. Cox noted that the ad

also features white actors portraying marijuana users.

"Sure, he wanted to seize on that, but that's not the message we're sending," Cox said. "We're sending a message that this harmful act is going to affect every family in this state if it passes."

If passed, the Arkansas measure would allow patients with qualifying conditions to buy marijuana from non-profit dispensaries with a doctor's recommendation. If approved, Arkansas would become the first Southern state to legalize medical marijuana.

Under the proposal, quali-

fying health conditions would include cancer, glaucoma, HIV, AIDS and Alzheimer's disease. The proposal also would allow qualifying patients or a designated caregiver to grow marijuana if the patient lives more than five miles from a dispensary.

Past efforts to put medical marijuana on the ballot in Arkansas have faltered, though voters in two cities in the state have approved referendums that encourage police to regard arrests for small amounts of marijuana as a low priority.

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Edith Windsor, whose suit against the U.S. government led to Thursday's decision against the Defense of Marriage Act, is interviewed at the offices of the New York Civil Liberties Union on Oct. 18. She sued in 2010, having been told to pay \$363,053 US in federal estate tax after her same-sex partner of 44 years died in 2009. RICHARD DREW/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

U.S. court strikes down marriage law

Gay rights.

Federal court calls the Defense of Marriage Act unconstitutional

Saying the gay population has "suffered a history of discrimination," a divided federal appeals court in Manhattan ruled Thursday that a federal law defining marriage as a union between a man and a woman was unconstitutional, adding fuel to an issue expected to reach the U.S. Supreme Court soon.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals seemed interested

From the ruling

"Homosexuals are not in a position to adequately protect themselves from the discriminatory wishes of the majoritarian public."

Judge Dennis Jacobs in his written decision, commenting on a long history of oppression

in adding its voice to several other rulings already at the high court's doorstep by issuing its 2-to-1 decision only three weeks after hearing arguments on a lower-court judge's findings that the 1996 law was unconstitutional.

In a majority opinion written by Judge Dennis Jacobs, the 2nd Circuit, like a federal appeals court in Boston before

it, found no reason the Defense of Marriage Act could be used to deny benefits to married gay couples.

The 2nd Circuit said the law's "classification of same-sex spouses was not substantially related to an important government interest" and thus violated the equal-protection clause of the Constitution.

Judge Chester J. Straub dissented, saying that if the government was to change its understanding of marriage, "I believe it is for the American people to do so."

"Courts should not intervene where there is a robust political debate because doing so poisons the political well, imposing a destructive anti-majoritarian constitutional ruling on a vigorous debate," he said.

The government defended the federal law until President Barack Obama and Attorney General Eric Holder in early 2011 directed attorneys to stop doing so.

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Irish judge rules adoption law discriminatory

Unmarried and same-sex couples in Northern Ireland should be allowed to adopt children, a Belfast judge ruled Thursday, rejecting a 1987 adoption law that discriminates against both groups.

Gay-rights activists praised the ruling in favour of a lawsuit pursued by the Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission. But Health Minister

Edwin Poots, an evangelical Protestant opposed to gay partnerships, said the government would appeal.

"It is my intention to urgently appeal this judgment and I am taking this action with a heavy heart," said Poots, who called the ruling against the best interests of children.

Belfast High Court Justice

Seamus Treacy ruled the law clearly violated European human-rights laws on privacy and discrimination.

Other parts of the United Kingdom already permit gay and unmarried heterosexual couples to adopt children. But Northern Ireland's law restricts applicants to married couples.

Northern Ireland's chief

commissioner for human rights, Michael O'Flaherty, said that the successful lawsuit "sought to protect the best interests of the child. Given the high numbers of children in care, who need a family in Northern Ireland, the importance of this case in widening the pool of prospective parents cannot be overstated."

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Baby elephant rescue.
Kenyan national park video goes viral — with good reason

How do you pull a baby elephant out of a deep, muddy hole? A rope and a Land Rover. Then the payoff: A frantic baby elephant sprint to mom.

A heartwarming video of the rescue of a baby elephant in a Kenyan national park gained a mass of viewers on Thursday. The video shows the rescuers' potentially dangerous faceoff with the mother elephant and their struggle to get her calf out of a 1.5-metre hole.

Vicki Fishlock of the Amboseli Trust for Elephants faced down the mother with her Land Rover, and made a high-pitched aye-aye-aye call to drive the mother off. Thirty muddy minutes later, after two men struggle to



In this Oct. 8 video image, Vicki Fishlock of the Amboseli Trust for Elephants is seen in the rear-view mirror as a mother elephant stands by her baby who is stuck in a hole at Kenya's Amboseli National Park. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

get a rope around the eight-month-old calf, Fishlock put her SUV in reverse and pulled the animal out.

The uplifting conclusion to the rescue video shows the baby sprinting to reunite with its family. Despite the confrontation Fishlock thinks the mother understood in the end that humans

were only trying to help.
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Visit metronews.ca to watch the video of the rescue.



Getting their feet wet as political activists

Jacquie Ayala, left, and Amanda Lawrence stand in a flooded street, as they call on U.S. presidential candidates to talk about their plans to fight climate change, Thursday in Miami Beach, Fla. JOE RAEDLE/GETTY IMAGES

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Washington

Evacuation
at presidential
daughters' school

The D.C. private school attended by the daughters of President Barack Obama says it briefly evacuated after it received a phone call that it considered suspicious. Sidwell Friends said in a message on its website Thursday afternoon that students and teachers returned to class after law enforcement determined there was no threat.

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Connecticut

A bad sign

An 80-year-old U.S. woman has been arrested after tearing down political signs showing an image of President Barack Obama with an Adolf Hitler-style moustache. Nancy Lack tells WVIT-TV she was offended and took down three posters that were hung last week near the post office. Workers for frequent presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche, who were putting up the signs, called police. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

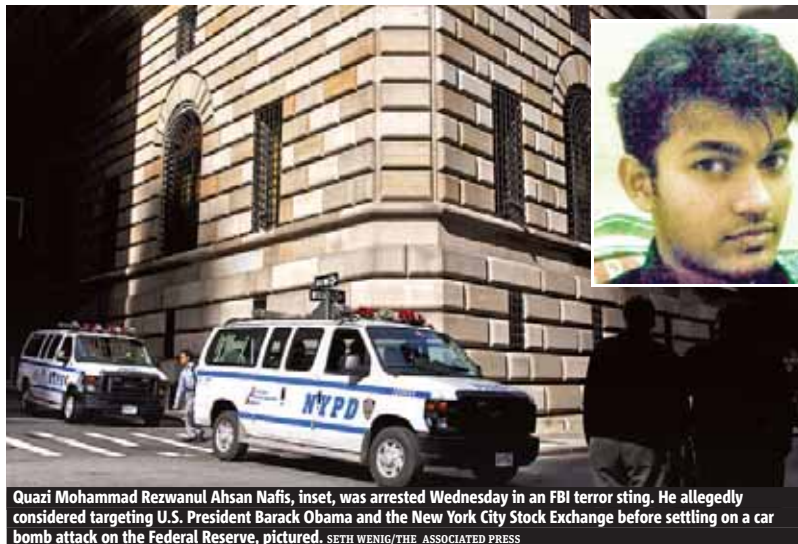
Obama was initial target in foiled bomb plot, police say

Terror sting. Undercover agent posing as jihadist intervenes with FBI team after 21-year-old exposes plan to blow up the Federal Reserve

A Bangladeshi man snared in an FBI terror sting considered targeting President Barack Obama before settling on a car bomb attack on The Federal Reserve in New York City, a law enforcement official told The Associated Press on Thursday.

The official, who was not authorized to speak publicly about the investigation and talked to the Associated Press on condition of anonymity, stressed that the suspect never got beyond the discussion stage.

In a September meeting with an undercover agent posing as a fellow jihadist, Quazi Mohammad Rezwanul Ahsan Nafis explained he chose the Federal Reserve as



Quazi Mohammad Rezwanul Ahsan Nafis, inset, was arrested Wednesday in an FBI terror sting. He allegedly considered targeting U.S. President Barack Obama and the New York City Stock Exchange before settling on a car bomb attack on the Federal Reserve, pictured. SETH WENIG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

his car bomb target "for operational reasons," according to a criminal complaint. Nafis also indicated he knew that choice would "cause a large number of civilian casualties,

including women and children," the complaint said. He had also considered the New York Stock Exchange as a target. The bomb was phoney, but authorities alleged that

Nafis' admiration of Osama bin Laden and aspirations for martyrdom were not.

FBI agents grabbed the 21-year-old Nafis — armed with a cellphone he believed

In the name of jihad

- **Charges.** Nafis appeared in federal court in Brooklyn on Wednesday to face charges of attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction and attempting to provide material support to al-Qaida. Wearing a brown T-shirt and black jeans, he was ordered held without bail and did not enter a plea. His defence attorney had no comment outside court.

was rigged as a detonator — after he made several attempts to blow up a fake 1,000-pound bomb inside a vehicle parked next to the Federal Reserve Wednesday in lower Manhattan, the complaint said.

Nafis is a banker's son from a middle class neighbourhood, and family members said Thursday they were stunned by his arrest.

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Colombia

Peace talks in Oslo mark the first in 10 years

Colombia's first peace talks in a decade with the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, were inaugurated half a world away on Thursday with a demonstration of just how differently the two sides view the nearly half century-old conflict.

The Oslo talks were brief, symbolic, largely perfunctory and held at a secret venue. They lasted seven hours and were followed by word that substantive talks will begin Nov. 15 in the Cuban capital of Havana and will first tackle "comprehensive agrarian development."

The government's lead negotiator, Humberto de la Calle, sought to set a businesslike, cordial tone in brief remarks at a joint news conference. Colombia is a nation of deep social inequalities and rampant human rights violations. It leads the world in union leader killings and has hundreds of thousands of internally displaced people.

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Mars rover

Martian soil has NASA wondering

NASA's Mars rover Curiosity has dug up a mini-mystery for scientists — an odd white fleck that sticks out like a beacon in the reddish soil.

It looks out of place, but scientists said Thursday that it's probably just a different hued bit of Martian soil. Curiosity will use its camera and instruments to try to learn more about what it is.

It is only one millimetre in size and was spotted after the rover used its mechanical scoop to dig up some dust.

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A small pit created by NASA's Mars rover Curiosity.
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Some restaurants asking diners to cut the chatter

Taking on the digital crowd. Owners split over the use of cellphones in their restaurants

The digital divide is wider than ever between diners who talk, tweet and snap pictures mid-meal and those who wish they'd just shut up, shut down and be present.

Caught at the centre of the discord are restaurant owners and chefs, who must walk the careful line of good customer service for both those who dine under the influence of smartphones, and those who won't. But as the devices have morphed into an unrelenting appendage for texting, photography and games, more restaurants are challenged to keep the peace.

Owners who once relied mostly on "no cellphones, please" signs, increasingly are experimenting with everything from penalties for using phones, discounts for not and outright bans on photography.

"There's no place to get away from the chatter," said Julie Liberty of Miami, who started the Facebook page Ban Cell Phones From Restaurants earlier this year. "Everything has a soundtrack, including when you go into the ladies room. That's just not right."

Some restaurateurs go with the digital flow. Sarabeth Levine, of New York City-based Sarabeth's, said she's perfectly fine with people chatting, playing games or even taking pictures. It's free advertising, after all.

"I'm happy to have our customers," Levine said. "They come, they tweet, they Facebook, they bring their children. It's high energy to begin with. I mean, people are noisy even in the way they speak today."

Others take a middle ground, like the high-end Washington, D.C., restaurant Rogue 24, where hostesses politely tell guests that if they do take pictures, please do so without a distracting flash.

"I mean you can't fight it," said owner R. J. Cooper. "Why fight a losing battle?"

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A sign at the Hamilton Street Cafe advises customers about the cellphone policy at the restaurant in Albany, N.Y. MIKE GROLL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS








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Giant elk relocated away from hunters

Rancher feared amorous nature. Fear of hunters and close relationship with cow drives giant elk away from B.C. ranch

Somewhere east of this B.C. community wanders an enormous bull elk, stripped of its crown of six-point ant-

lers and a misplaced attraction for one of Greg Messner's cows.

The elk, a loner that had been turning up at the century-old 100 Mile Ranch to check out Messner's herd for three years, was relocated earlier this month for its own safety and for the pro-bity of the cow.

Messner estimated the elk at about six feet tall and four feet wide and weighing about half a tonne.

Quoted

"He had a huge rack, but he was too well-endowed by chromosomes."

Greg Messner, ranch owner

The ranch is bordered by the highway and cars were stopping as passengers tried to get a look at the amorous ungulate, which from time

to time would hop from one side of the pasture fence to the other.

Messner said the final straw was when hunters turned up, the lure of a six-point rack potentially dangerously enticing.

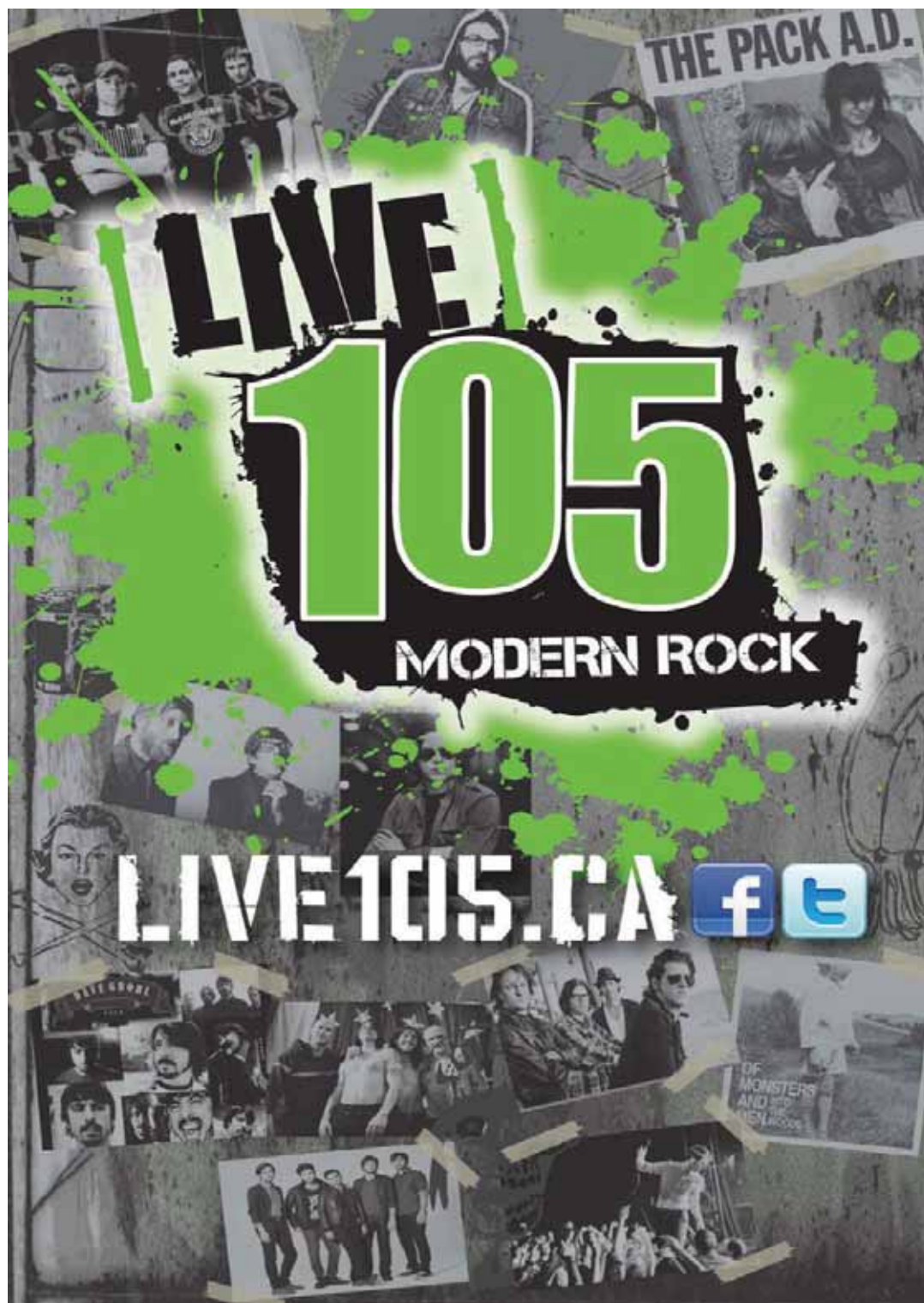
The elk was then loaded into a truck and taken about 20 kilometres out of town, towards the mountains.

"I kind of think he will be back next year," said Messner. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



A bull elk stands in a field with cows at 100 Mile Ranch in B.C.

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Dark Knight

Batman impersonator pleads not guilty

A man charged with obstructing the police while dressed as Batman has pleaded not guilty.

State troopers arrested 33-year-old Mark Wayne Williams on Sept. 29 because he wouldn't leave them alone while they searched for a driver who had fled an accident. Williams was charged with resisting and obstructing police in an investigation. He was sentenced last year after police received a report of a man dressed as Batman on the roof of a local business.

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Scandal

Instructor faces prostitution charges

Quiet little Kennebunk, a New England town of beaches and sea captain's mansions, has been thrust into the media spotlight after a 29-year-old Zumba instructor was charged this month with engaging in prostitution in her dance studio and in an office across the street.

The scandal is ensnaring some prominent men from around the region and has forced the resignation of a long-time high school hockey coach.

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Mississippi community weathers the storm

Tin roofing from a neighbour's shed and concrete steps are all that remain at the site of Gladys Berry's mobile home in Anguilla, Miss., Thursday. The mobile home was tossed about 30 feet from its secured site following a night and early morning of severe weather.

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Ontario judge faces discipline for impatience

Poor judgment.

Thirty-three charges thrown out after prosecutor was late

An Ontario judge who threw out several court cases because he got tired of waiting for a prosecutor to show up has been ordered to appear before a disciplinary panel.

The Ontario Judicial Council says the hearing scheduled for Nov. 26 will address three complaints filed against Justice Howard Chisvin for judicial misconduct.

On July 21, 2011, Chisvin dismissed at least 33 criminal charges against 10 people in a Newmarket court north of Toronto, who were up before him in court to enter pleas or be sentenced.

Chisvin made the call after proceedings resumed following a 20-minute break, finding that the Crown attorney was absent.

He sent word to the prosecutor that if he did not show up within a minute, all remaining

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cases waiting to be heard that day would be dismissed.

When the Crown did not arrive two minutes later, the trial judge threw out all the cases for want of prosecution.

After eight minutes, the lawyer returned, apologized and explained that he was late because he was reading a pre-sentencing report.

Last March, a three-justice panel with the Ontario Court of Appeal called Chisvin's actions "illegal" and "an abuse of judicial authority."

The panel also said Chisvin had no power to make the order. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Refuge for many

Eritrean asylum seekers, one holding an enlargement of a working permit, protest in Tel Aviv, Israel, on Thursday. The migrants rallied against racism and Israel's intention to detain and deport them.

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Prisoner rights

Mother of prison baby out on bail

One day after protesters called for her release, a woman who gave birth on the floor of an Ottawa jail cell is out from behind bars.

Julie Bilotta, 26, has been granted bail and released

from the Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre.

Advocates for imprisoned women's rights demonstrated Wednesday, demanding an inquiry into Bilotta's treatment.

The Cornwall, Ont., woman birthed a boy Sept. 29 in a segregation cell without the help of a doctor after Bilotta said she screamed for hours. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Terror at home

Minnesotan convicted for recruiting terrorists

A Minneapolis man has been convicted of helping send young men to Somalia to join the al-Qaida-linked terrorist group al-Shabab.

The federal jury on Thursday convicted 46-year-old Mahamud Said Omar on all five counts he faced. He could be sentenced to up to life in prison.

Omar was the first to stand trial in the government's investigation into what it says was the recruiting of more than 20 men. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Astral. BCE wants Ottawa to overturn CRTC decision

BCE Inc. will call on the federal Cabinet to intervene after the broadcast regulator gave an unequivocal thumbs down to its takeover of Astral Media on Thursday, declaring in no uncertain terms the \$3.4-billion deal was not good for Canadians.

The surprise decision by the CRTC was announced after stock markets closed and marked the first major ruling for newly installed commissioner Jean-Pierre Blais.

Not only did Blais, who took over in late June, turn down one of the biggest takeovers ever submitted to the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission, he left little doubt about where he stood, or how he would respond should BCE return with a modified but essentially similar proposal.

"This transaction would have resulted in an unprecedented level of concentration in the Canadian marketplace and we had grave concerns that BCE would be able to use its market power in an unfair manner and engage in uncompetitive behaviour," he said.

"Simply put this was not a good deal for Canadians," and it could have restricted choice and raised prices of services,

Quoted

"This is a defining moment for the CRTC. They have stared at Canada's largest corporation and one of the largest deals in Canada and said 'No.'"

Telecom analyst Iain Grant, noting the CRTC hasn't delivered a ruling of this magnitude since 1992, when it approved competition for long-distance calling

he added.

Bell said late Thursday that it was "shocked" and "appalled" by the decision, adding that it will ask the federal Cabinet to "issue direction to CRTC to follow its own regulatory policy."

It said the decision was "tainted by behind-the-scenes lobbying" by its rivals and claims the ruling violates the regulator's own policies.

"We met all the CRTC's rules, indeed our acquisition of Astral was based directly on the CRTC's currently in-place Diversity of Voices policy," said George Cope, President and CEO of Bell Canada and BCE Inc.

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Another one down: Newsweek will end print run on Dec. 31

Publishing. Venerable news mag is switching to digital format; staff cuts are expected

Newsweek will end its print publication after 80 years and shift to an all-digital format in early 2013.

Its last U.S. print edition will be its Dec. 31 issue. The paper version of Newsweek is the latest casualty of a changing world where readers get more of their information from websites, tablets and smartphones. It's also an environment in which advertisers are looking for less expensive alternatives online.

Newsweeklies have been in an especially tough spot at a time when people don't want to wait a week to read commentary and news digests of big stories, given a flood of instant content available online.

The announcement of the



In this file photo, pedestrians walk past the Newsweek building in New York. Newsweek announced Thursday that its print edition will be replaced by an all-digital format. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

change was made Thursday by Tina Brown, editor-in-chief and founder of The Newsweek Daily Beast Co., and Baba Shetty, its CEO. Job cuts are expected.

"In our judgment, we have reached a tipping point at which we can most efficiently and effectively reach our readers in all-digital format," Brown

and Shetty said on The Daily Beast website.

Newsweek's decision does not come as a surprise. Barry Diller, the head of the company that owns Newsweek, announced in July that the publication was examining its future as a weekly print magazine. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Arbiters of cool. U.K. appeal court agrees that iPad is hipper than Samsung tablet

Britain's Court of Appeal has affirmed a lower court ruling that Samsung's Galaxy tablet computer is "not as cool" as Apple's iPad and therefore doesn't infringe Apple's rights.

The issue in the case was whether Samsung infringed on the design Apple registered in 2004.

The lower court in July had declared Samsung's Galaxy computers "do not have the same understated and extreme simplicity which is possessed by the Apple design. They are not as cool."

In their ruling Thursday, all three justices who heard the appeal ordered Apple to publicize the court rulings to "dispel commercial uncertainty," and make sure consumers are not biased against Samsung.

Judge Robin Jacob wrote in the unanimous opinion: "The acknowledgement must come from the horse's mouth. Nothing short of that will be sure to do the job completely."

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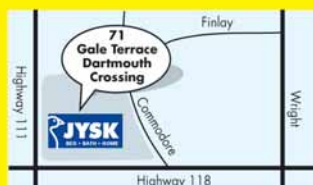
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Executive calls U.S. authorities 'thugs' for role in blocking turbine project near navy base

U.S. election issue

- The case hands President Obama the chance to appear tough on Chinese interests during an election campaign in which he and Republican challenger Mitt Romney have invoked China as a villain in their arguments about revitalizing the U.S. economy.

The Chinese company suing President Obama for blocking its planned wind-farm projects in Oregon accused the U.S. leader and his government of discrimination Thursday and warned that the case would deter Chinese investment in the United States.

Last month, Obama blocked Ralls Corp.'s plan to build four wind farms near a U.S. Navy base, after the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States concluded it posed security risks. It was the first time a U.S. president stepped in to halt such a foreign business deal for na-

tional security reasons since 1990, when President George H.W. Bush scuttled the sale of a manufacturer to a Chinese agency.

Chinese construction machinery giant Sany denied that the project posed security risks and said U.S. officials were discriminating against the company because it was Chinese.

It filed a lawsuit against

the U.S. government last month and added Obama's name as a defendant later. U.S. officials have said the case has no merit and that they will "vigorously" defend against it.

CEO of affiliated company Ralls Corp., Wu Jialiang, said at a Beijing news conference Thursday — which contained warnings that China's government could retaliate against U.S. firms — that Sany "would never do anything that threatens U.S. national security."

Xiang Wenbo, a Sany director, said the company had agreed to transfer, relocate or remove the wind turbines after objections were raised, but they hadn't been allowed to.

He said U.S. authorities had reached unfair conclusions, seized their property and assets and aren't to be reasoned with, likening their behaviour to that of "thugs."

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South Africa mining strikes take toll on output

Miners sing during their strike at the AngloGold Ashanti Mine in Fochville near Johannesburg, South Africa, on Thursday. Strike action in gold and platinum mines cost the country about 4.5 billion rand (more than \$510 million) in lost output through mid-September, President Jacob Zuma told a meeting of businessmen in Johannesburg last week. THEMBA HADEBE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Signs of recovery

China's economic slide levels out

China's worst slump since the global financial crisis levelled out in the latest quarter and retail sales picked up in a sign an economic rebound is taking shape, adding to hopes for a global recovery.

The world's second-lar-

gest economy grew 7.4 per cent from the year before in the three months ending in September, data showed Thursday. That was slower than the second quarter's 7.6 per cent growth but the decline was much gentler than in earlier quarters.

Economists also pointed to quarter-on-quarter growth of 2.2 per cent, the biggest such gain in a year, as a sign of recovery.

"This confirms that the economy is rebounding," said Dariusz Kowalczyk, senior economist for Credit Agricole CIB in Hong Kong. "There is no room and no need for further major stimulus." The Chinese improvement came after unexpectedly strong U.S. housing starts boosted confidence that the world's biggest economy is mending.

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Personal finance. Preparing for sabbaticals takes planning, discipline: Financial advisers

Whether it is taking time off to work for a charity, going back to school or travelling the world, preparing for a sabbatical is no different than planning for any other financial goal.

Just hoping won't get the job done. What's needed is to create a realistic approach with a financial planner and then showing the discipline to stick with it.

Start by asking yourself how much money you are going to need, then work backwards to figure out how long it will take to get there.

For those taking as much as a year away from work, it's not uncommon to start planning years in advance.

Crystal Wong, senior regional manager for TD Waterhouse financial planning in Calgary, suggests approaching it like a diet — don't make it too austere or you won't stick with it.

While saving for a sabbatical might mean putting off buying new clothes, delaying upgrading to the latest electronic gadget and fewer dinners out, it doesn't mean returning to a student diet of instant noodles.

Quoted

"Once you've educated yourself as to where your funds are going, then you can take a look to see what can you stop spending your money on."

Crystal Wong, senior regional manager for TD Waterhouse financial planning in Calgary

"You don't want to entirely deny yourself some of these luxuries or what we perceive as luxuries," Wong said.

"You can't just cut everything out of your diet that you love because then you're entirely regretting all of your dieting decisions and that's why diets never work."

But for those who don't already have a written budget, start by creating one, Wong advises. For financial advisers, the task then is working with clients to decide the difference between needs and wants. "Is there anything we can cut away from their current budget to reduce actual expenses on a monthly basis?" **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Beef recall. Union wants new XL Foods managers to shake things up

The union representing workers at an Alberta slaughterhouse shuttered because of E. coli contamination hopes the plant's new managers come in and clean house.

Doug O'Halloran of the United Food and Commercial Workers union received cheers from workers at a news conference Thursday when he said those who have been running the XL Foods Lakeside operation — the black hats as they are known for the colour of their headgear — need to be removed.

"Some of the management people have to go," O'Halloran

said. "The yellow hats are the workers. The black hats are god or think they are. We all hope some of those black hats are getting their butts kicked down the road, because they're the problem."

O'Halloran said he is cautiously optimistic about JBS USA taking over management of the plant in Brooks. The company, which also has an option to buy XL, operates eight beef packers in the United States with 25,000 union employees and O'Halloran said the two sides are on good terms there.

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XL Foods cattle processing plant workers discuss a press release at a news conference in Brooks, Alta., on Thursday. JEFF MCINTOSH/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canadian economy

Feds may revise growth forecast, Flaherty says

The federal government may need to downgrade its growth projections for the Canadian economy when it releases its mid-year budget update, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said Thursday.

The minister told reporters before tabling his budget-implementation bill that Canada's economy is holding up reasonably well, but is not immune to gathering headwinds from around the world.

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Chromebooks


Google debuts lightweight laptop

Google and Samsung are introducing a lightweight laptop computer with a price similar to smaller tablet computers. The computer will sell for \$249 and run on an operating system revolving around Google's Chrome Web browser. Like other so-called Chromebooks, this laptop doesn't have a hard drive.


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Earnings season

Microsoft income below predictions

Microsoft Corp.'s net income fell 22 per cent in the latest quarter as it deferred revenue from the sale of its upcoming Windows 8 operating system to PC makers — and as PC sales in general took a dive. The economic troubles in Europe also weighed on results, which missed Wall Street expectations. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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THE LIST
Paul Sullivan
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Worried that you've missed the week's big news and you're feeling inadequate around the water cooler? Fear not! You've come to the right place: The Metro List, where the news lives.

1 **Felix Baumgartner.** I double-dog dare ya to climb 38 kilometres in a balloon, open the hatch and then jump out. No problem, says the Austrian daredevil, who broke the sound barrier while he was at it. Then he opened his parachute and hit the ground walking. Baumgartner says his daredevil days are done, but wasn't it another Austrian guy who said, "I'll be back"?

2 **On the other hand.** Lance Armstrong won't work in this town — or any other — again. His main sponsor, Nike, abandoned him after the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency released testimony from 11 of his former teammates, who claimed they helped him ride to seven tainted Tour de France victories. But Nike still endorses Michael Vick and Kobe Bryant, a dog killer and a man who was once accused of rape, respectively. Oh well, at least they didn't take banned substances to give themselves an unfair advantage ... right?

3 **The saddest story.** Teenager Amanda Todd went looking for love in all the wrong places, i.e. the Internet, and was hounded by the fallout until she killed herself. Before she did, she recorded a haunting video and released it on ... the Internet, possibly hoping for some kind of cyber-vindication. You'd like to think her tormentors learned their lesson, but some were still online bullying her memory this week. There's enough bitter irony in this one story to last a lifetime.

4 **Hot enough for you?** By you, I mean climate-change denier, you. September was the hottest ever in the world. If that's not enough, it was the 331st straight month with above-average temperatures. Anyone who continues to think this global-warming stuff is a hoax reminds me of that lobster sitting in a nice warm bath, and he's starting to turn pink.

5 **Rock 'em sock 'em NHL labour negotiations.** The NHL offers to share revenue 50-50 with the players, but the boys are still young enough to be able to read the fine print on the offer, so this thing ain't settled yet. But at least they're getting down to it. Timing is interesting. For most of the players, this is their first week without a paycheck. Whoa, dude.

6 **Then there's this elk.** This is not a joke. We repeat, this is not a joke. An elk has spent the last three years mooning (moov-ing?) over a herd of cows in the B.C. Interior. This year, well, he leapt the fence. Conservation officers caught him, tranquilized him and — the final indignity — sawed off his six-point antlers (safety measure), then let him go, far from the madding cows.



Felix Baumgartner, of Austria, jumps out of his capsule during his final manned flight last Sunday. The death-defying jump from a balloon 38 kilometres above Earth yielded important information about the punishing effects of extreme speed and altitude on the human body — insights that could inform space development. RED BULL STRATOS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Penguin picture wins top award



PAUL NICKLEN/VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR 2012

Wildlife photography

Canadian earns global recognition

A photo titled Bubble-Jetting Emperors by Canadian photographer Paul Nicklen has won the globally-acclaimed Veolia Environnement Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition. This image of the chaotic underwater world of emperor penguins at the edge of the Ross Sea, in Antarctica, beat more than 48,000 entries from 98 countries to claim the prize. **METRO**

Photographer's viewpoint



"The penguins definitely fed off my energy. But I was lucky as I was almost killed by a deadly leopard seal the previous day!"

Paul Nicklen, speaking to Metro about how perilous the life of a wildlife photographer can be.

Story behind photo

Nicklen describes how he took photo

For the image, Nicklen stayed motionless, waiting for the penguins. Suddenly the birds blasted up from the depths and, with frozen fingers, Paul captured this incredible image. "It was a fantastic sight," Nicklen said. "Hundreds launched themselves out of the water and onto the ice above me. It was a moment that I felt incredibly fortunate to witness and one I'll never forget."

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Other winner

Bird vs. airplane captures prize

Teenage amateur photographer Owen Hearn (U.K.) won the overall award for under-17s with his image of a red kite bird of prey and an airplane captured on his grandparents' farm.

"With the bird and plane, you can see the connection between nature and humans," Hearn told Metro. "The life of these birds is decided by how far we develop and encroach into their environment." **METRO**



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Seriously, are candidates allowed to stick signs wherever they want? Like parks? Don't have to

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I'm currently at the new Halifax iStore getting my Mac fixed. I didn't realize that Geniuses wore Blue T-shirts. #INeverMetAGeniuisB4)



Ginger Snaps (from 2000) is a teenage female coming-of-age story couched in werewolf lore. TORSTAR ARCHIVE

Reel Guys

RICHARD
CROUSE AND
MARK BRESLIN



Hair-raising films for the Halloween season

Frightful fare. The Reel Guys talk about the films that give them the creeps

Richard: Mark, I'm a fan of old school horror. Not Freddy and Jason, or even b-movies like The Astounding She-Monster, but the kind of thing that gave my grandmother nightmares, Dracula, Frankenstein and the Mummy. I love the Universal creature features, so the new one-stop-shopping Classic Monsters Collection Blu Ray has enough to keep me busy until Halloween. Eight monsters! Nine movies! Twelve hours of extras! What keeps you up at night?

Mark: My mortgage, Richard. As far as scary movies go, I have to confess I'm one tough cookie — it's pretty

hard to scare me. If there's just a tiny note of humour, I can't take the flick seriously. And I don't believe in monsters, vampires, or ghosts. But what does scare me is the horror of people behaving very, very badly — anything to do with psychopaths gives me the creepy-crawlies. I'm thinking of Henry: Portrait of a Serial Killer, In the Light of the Moon (the Ed Gein biopic), Monster (Aileen Wuornos) or the long list of fictional serial killer movies — Se7en, American Psycho, Silence of the Lambs. Quite an impressive sub-genre when you think about it.

RC: In Cold Blood always freaks me out. It's not a horror film in the traditional sense, but because it's a true story of a senseless murder it sends shivers down my spine... and elsewhere. I usually stick to monster

movies, because I'm petty sure a werewolf isn't going to attack me on the walk home. Two werewolf faves are Cure of the Werewolf with Oliver Reed and Ginger Snaps, which takes a bite out of the usual lycanthrope myth, spinning it as a teenage girl coming-of-age story. Are there any fictional creatures that get to you?

MB: Well I wouldn't want to meet Leatherface in a dark alley; in fact, I wouldn't want to meet him at the Four Seasons for smart drinks either. But one kind of horror film that does creep me out is the "home invasion" movie. I'm thinking of Funny Games (both European and U.S. versions), The Strangers, even the paint-by-numbers Nic Cage vehicle Trespass gets under my skin. Because this stuff actually happens, y'know?

Boo

Anyone looking to have the hairs on the back of their necks raised this month won't have trouble finding something to do the trick. Silent Hill: Revelation, Sinister and Paranormal Activity 4 (is it four times scarier than the first one?) are all in theatres, but the Reel Guys have some other tingers you may not have considered.

RC: Yeah, perhaps I'm more just escapist in my taste of creepy movies. I'm not drawn to true horrific crime unless the criminal is the Creature from the Black Lagoon.

MB: Now that's one home invasion I'd like to see. But I wouldn't want to clean up afterwards.

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Crime



Alex Cross

Director. Rob Cohen

Stars. Tyler Perry, Matthew Fox,
Rachel Nichols

Tyler Perry is the new Alex Cross, stepping into the role Morgan Freeman made famous in Kiss the Girls. In this new thriller the detective underestimates a serial killer (a skeletal Matthew Fox) and that rare mistake in judgment ends up changing his life. The problems here are many, starting with a TV movie-ready script. The only unused cliché is, "Just the facts, ma'am," but, I'm sure screenwriters are already crafting that line into Alex Cross 2: My Name's Not Madea.

RICHARD CROUSE

Horror



Paranormal Activity 4

Director. Henry Joost,
Ariel SchulmanStars. Stephen Dunham, Katie
Featherston, Kathryn New-
ton, Alexondra Lee

Paranormal Activity fans (or what's left of you) are in for the same ride as usual, but this one should have never started. The fourth installment in the franchise offers viewers the same predictable thrills and a weak storyline that is all too familiar. This series started off strong, as the first film explored new territory in the horror genre and went on to be considered one of the scariest movies of all time. Unfortunately there is nothing left to squeeze out of this story. OLIVIA MORROW

Documentary



Searching for Sugar Man

Director. Malik Bendjelloul

Stars. Rodriguez

Rumours about his demise from shooting himself in the head on-stage, lighting himself on fire and dying in prison trumped recognition of talented American singer/songwriter Rodriguez. He made two albums that flopped stateside but were, unbeknownst to him, colossal hits in South Africa where he was more revered than the Rolling Stones or Elvis. This is strong stuff.

ANNE BRODIE

Documentary



The Imposter

Director. Bart Layton

Stars. Frédéric Bourdin,
Carey Gibson

In 1994, Nicholas Barclay, a 13-year-old boy from San Antonio, Texas, went missing. Three years later, Frédéric Bourdin, a 23-year-old French man, managed to convince U.S. officials and Nicholas's family that he was the missing teen. Director Bart Layton uses re-enactments, intimate interviews and archival footage to reconstruct this twisted story. Step-by-step, Bourdin recounts his impossible scheme with a sly, self-congratulatory air, and Nicholas's defeated family members relive every emotion.

REGAN REID

Bond, 3D Bond. Should 007 be multi-dimensional?

Celebrating his 50th birthday, James Bond has been learning some new tricks — but 3D isn't one of them.

Producers of the spy franchise say they have no interest in making a Bond film in 3D.

The upcoming Skyfall is the first Bond film to be released since Avatar made 3D a common and often lucrative practice for blockbusters.

"3D is fantastic for the right material, but we're not sure Bond is the right way to go," said Skyfall producer Barbara Broccoli in a recent interview.

"With our movies, there's a lot of challenges to 3D, particularly when you've got a lot of action and a lot of quick cutting."

Broccoli and her half-brother Michael G. Wilson have shepherded the last seven Bond films, preserving the franchise as a family business.

Skyfall, which premieres next week in the U.K. and opens Nov. 9 in the U.S., follows 2008's Quantum of Solace — released a year before James Cameron's 3D epic.

"It has to be right for our

story," said Broccoli.

"Unless you can do something as well as (Avatar), it's probably not worth looking at."

Wilson said there has been interest in converting some of the old Bond films into 3D, which he called "more of a novelty."

Shooting in 3D, which requires larger cameras, can be cumbersome, and quick action shots can be awkward because viewers' eyes don't adjust rapidly enough.

But 3D, for which higher ticket prices are charged, can also bring in more box office.

Bond films, more classical in their 2D, go for spectacle instead with IMAX. Skyfall will be released a day early, Nov. 8, in North America on IMAX screens.

Still, Broccoli left the door open for things to change.

Daniel Craig is signed for at least two more Bond films, which will be the 24th and 25th in the franchise.

Neither is currently being planned in 3D.

"Who knows?" she said. "We'll see if things change in the future."

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Susan Sarandon joins the Cloud Atlas circus

Part of something big. Actress was thrilled to join up with the Wachowskis and help them create their epic vision



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Metro World News in Hollywood

From playing a former 1960s radical on the run in the Company You Keep to guest-starring as a former middle school teacher out of jail and still romancing a former student in 30 Rock, Susan Sarandon likes to keep things interesting. So naturally she was eager to join the company of Cloud Atlas, playing four different characters for directors Lana and Andy Wachowski and Tom Tykwer. The experience was, as Sarandon puts it, "like joining the circus."

What was the draw for you to take on all of these roles?

I just love the Wachowskis, and I had met Tom before when I was doing Speed Racer. Actually, they gave me the book as a parting gift at that time and I loved the book, and I wasn't thinking about it being made into a movie, but when they got it all together years later and said, "We miss you, come spend some time with us and play in Berlin," even without knowing what they wanted me to do I knew that it was something that I could bear to talk about for days on end at junkets and that it would be a really interesting experience.

How much does being able to bear talking about something for days on end normally factor into your decision?

It's major, because seriously you give so much energy. If it's not something that excites you for some reason,

you feel like a hooker. I mean, you can't do it for the money. It has to be something that either has a concept or a character that you've not done before. It can be just fun. You never know how something's going to turn out, so you can't ever make a decision based on what you think will be successful and what won't.

What about this one?

This one was like joining a repertory company, and the spirit of the people that would take that kind of a chance, that would do little parts and big parts and bounce all over the place and put their egos aside was a very unusual, unusual camp to belong to. It was like joining the circus. It was very exhilarating for everybody, I think, even the people who worked much harder than I worked, because you knew you were a part of something that was very special, and everybody was game. When you work with Lana

and Andy, they're always very, very well-prepared, but this one, because it was so complicated, it really felt like you were taking off and going into outer space or something, in terms of what it was attempting. There was a certain excitement at being asked to be part of it that I just wanted. Even just historically, I thought it was a really groundbreaking attempt.

Are you going to be popping up on the last season of 30 Rock?

Not so far as I know, no. As far as I know, there's no plans for that. Alec [Baldwin] had said to me, "I'd like to end up with you at the end of the show." I don't know how that would happen, but I said, "Yeah, sure, it sounds good." It's fun to do these little things where you don't have to be on something for seven years, but you get to just come in and play a little.



Susan Sarandon stars in Cloud Atlas, which opens next Friday. TORSTAR ARCHIVE

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Diamond Rings, Bat for Lashes and Rah Rah all fighting for shelf space

Taylor Swift has a new album coming Tuesday, so all the other big names have wisely cleared out of her way. But she doesn't have everything to herself.



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Free Dimensional/ Diamond Rings

Toronto's Bowie-esque John Diamond Rings O'Regan is ready with his second album. The hype is quite thick. Let's see what happens. View a teaser of the album by scanning the code.

Laura/Bat for Lashes

I've heard portions of Natasha Bat for Lashes Khan's third album, *The Haunted Man*. It's gorgeous. Start with this advance single.



Art and a Wife/ Rah Rah

Fun husband and wife team from Regina from their third album, *The Poet's Dead*. The video is great for people who love dogs.

Bruce Springsteen. Talks about who he thinks should be the U.S. boss



Bruce Springsteen has endorsed Barack Obama for president. GETTY IMAGES

After vowing not to participate in this year's presidential election, Bruce Springsteen is supporting Barack Obama again, saying he believes Obama is the best person to lead America.

Springsteen posted a message on his website Wednesday night endorsing President Obama's re-election, saying he'd been "getting asked a lot about where I stand."

The rock star will make his debut on the 2012 campaign

trail Thursday at events in Iowa with former President Bill Clinton.

He also backed Obama in 2008.

Springsteen says he's behind Obama, who is facing Republican rival Mitt Romney in November, because of the president's views on the rights of women and homosexuals, ending the war in Iraq and tracking down Osama bin Laden.

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Dum facts

What you need to know about the Dum Dum Girls

- **Formed.** The band, originally from California, formed in 2009.
- **Leader of the band.** Dee Dee Penny, currently based in New York City, with the rest of the band in Los Angeles, was the person who put the concepts together and gives the band its musical focus.



The Dum Dum Girls have released their new EP, *End of Daze*. GETTY IMAGES

Getting down with the Dum Dum Girls during the End of Daze

New music. Dee Dee Penny talks about what motivates them to make the high-energy music they do

HEIDI PATALANO
Metro World News

Dee Dee Penny of the Dum Dum Girls doesn't seem to be the excitable type, with her soft monotone speaking voice and often expressionless countenance, but her music betrays a kind of raw, spastic energy that fuels her ambitious creative output.

We'd try to describe what it sounds like, but as Penny reminds us, journalists too often get the references wrong.

So instead, we'll have Penny tell you, herself, as she discusses this and her new EP, *End of Daze*.

Press materials for this EP go into a lot of detail about the albums you were listening to while you wrote it. Why do you think it's important to put your influences out there like that?

I don't know that it is. ... I think it's honestly born of reading reviews of things that are so far off the mark in terms of what they assume I was thinking or reading or listening to. Sometimes I just get to the point where I'm like, 'I'm just gonna tell you because it's gonna come out better for both of us.'

But I never want anything to be that apparent and it's never something that overt. Like, oh, obviously, I listened to *Viva Hate* during this period and my work is a direct extension of that. It's just sometimes helpful — especially for a band like mine who has from an early point been pigeonholed or summarized in like, two bands.

Why did these five songs seem to be a unit unto itself rather than part of a full album?

It was pretty similar to when I put out the *He Gets Me High* EP. It felt like this album was maybe not conceptual in the traditional sense, but I felt like it dealt

Quote

"There's been a cover on every record I've done except for *Only in Dreams* and that is very much related to the fact that I am a music fan. I don't think that overshadows what I do, but I think it brings to light how I approach things. I've never done a traditional cover in the sense that it sounds a lot like the original."

Dee Dee Penny
Of the Dum Dum Girls.

with something specifically and then it was complete at five songs. I'm always writing. I have probably 40 songs I could have put out.

You've done some great covers — notably *There Is a Light That Never Goes Out* by The Smiths. Are you ever worried that fans will focus more on those and less on your original material?

No. I definitely have made a habit of recording covers.

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I've always tried to do a personal interpretation of it. ... I never think I can improve on the original. I like to take a stab at it from a different direction. I think people appreciate that.

People love hearing songs that they love. If it's a song by somebody else that we play that they love, they're still going to be really happy about that. It's like a little gift, especially with The Smiths' song because The Smiths are such a massive band for so many people. ... It's so many people's favorite song and for them to not slag us off for covering it, that's kind of an accomplishment (laughs).

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The Wallflowers make it up as they go

New music. Jakob Dylan talks about how his band made *Glad All Over*, their first album in seven years, different from the others

As producers are known to do, Jay Joyce called Jakob Dylan to discuss plans before they were scheduled to start recording *The Wallflowers'* first album in seven years.

Joyce was surprised when Dylan said he really didn't have anything.

"We had a couple of songs, nothing but a bunch of stuff on a laptop that I said, 'This might sound like this. This might sound like this,'" Dylan recalled.

"But they were lyrics," Joyce said in mock protest.

"I was like, 'This is what I got,'" Dylan, 42, said with a laugh.

The singer and producer got together recently in Nashville to talk about *Glad All Over*, the first Wallflowers' album since 2005's *Rebel*,

Sweetheart. This time around the Grammy winners tried something different as Dylan — no longer comfortable with his lead songwriting role — took a step back and tried to blend into the band.

In the past, he'd shown up at sessions with demos and strong feelings. This time, there were no demos or completed lyrics; just ideas the group — which includes longtime members Rami Jaffee on keyboard, Greg Richling on bass and guitarist Stuart Mathis with new drummer Jack Irons — took and ran with.

"If you (pre-write), those songs come with an implied feeling, groove, tempo," Dylan said. "They can limit the bass player. They can limit the drums. You've already got your vocal locked in and you're not going to budge. So it can be stifling. You realize you're bolted in with what the song already was. This lets the band lead, lets the band get out and front, and I can find a way to fit in the opposite way."

"It could have gone horribly wrong, man," Joyce said.

Quote

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Jakob Dylan
Talking about changes to his band

"It was sort of fun. That's what attracted me to it: 'Oh,

(expletive), this is scary!'"

What emerged is a writhing, rhythm-heavy album that has Joyce's grimy fingerprints all over it.

The rising Nashville producer known for crafting hits with artists as varied as Eric Church, Cage the Elephant and Little Big Town first met the band when T Bone Burnett flew him to Los Angeles to play guitar on their 1996 debut, *Bringing Down the Horse*.

When Joyce's name came up, Dylan jumped. He felt like Joyce would know where they were coming from and could play guitar on the album.

"Plus," he joked, "I don't like to meet anyone new."

"I was just a band member," Joyce said. "My job in this situation was first of all be part of the band. So I was worried about my guitar playing. I was worried about being fired from the band."

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Faith

His recent songs prove that Dylan's faith in his leap of trust was justified

- **Sessions.** Looking back, he says he can see why everyone was nervous, especially the people paying for the sessions. But he's convinced he did the right thing and said he couldn't imagine some of the world's most influential bands doing it any other way in terms of making music.



Jakob Dylan of the Wallflowers has revamped the way they make music.
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When Zak Bagans saw his first
ghost — a woman at the foot

of his bed in Detroit — he knew he was part of a rare breed of people. But he was disappointed to see how lightly people were taking his experience.

"I was really getting aggravated telling this story to people," the host of *Ghost Adventures* on Travel+Escape says. "I'd tell the story and then we'd go eat a sandwich and that's it. I experienced something that is legit. And that put me on this

quest and it changed everything about me after that."

The paranormal expert now seeks out spirits for a living, and he doesn't listen to the naysayers around him.

"The evidence that we are capturing now is not just flickering lights and door knocks," he says. "I want to welcome people that don't believe and talk with them and show them the steps and have them

accompany me on investigations."

Bagans says the ghosts that still linger on earth do so for a reason.

"[They] have something to say," he says. "There's something unsolved in their life, whether it's an unsolved murder — they know who the killer is but the police never found out — a lost love [who] died suddenly, they're in denial

[about their death]. A spirit, I believe, is still trapped here is because they're not ready to move on. They want to keep living. Or they're dead and they're just stuck here, in purgatory, because they know that if they go to hell, it's gonna be worse."

And there's also a reason why they choose your particular home to haunt.

"It's still a fight of who owns the place. There's a living person there but there's a ghost that wants the living person out."

Are you haunted?

If you're one of the "nine out of 10" who Bagans predicts has experienced some supernatural activity in your home, don't panic, he advises.


"Just let it be, because I think that if you try and communicate with them, like what I do, then once they realize — like in the movie

Ghost — that you can hear them, they will just bug you even more. If that's what you want, get a digital recorder and talk with them. If you directly start communicating with them, they're gonna know that they've gotten your attention. That's what they're trying to do — get your attention."

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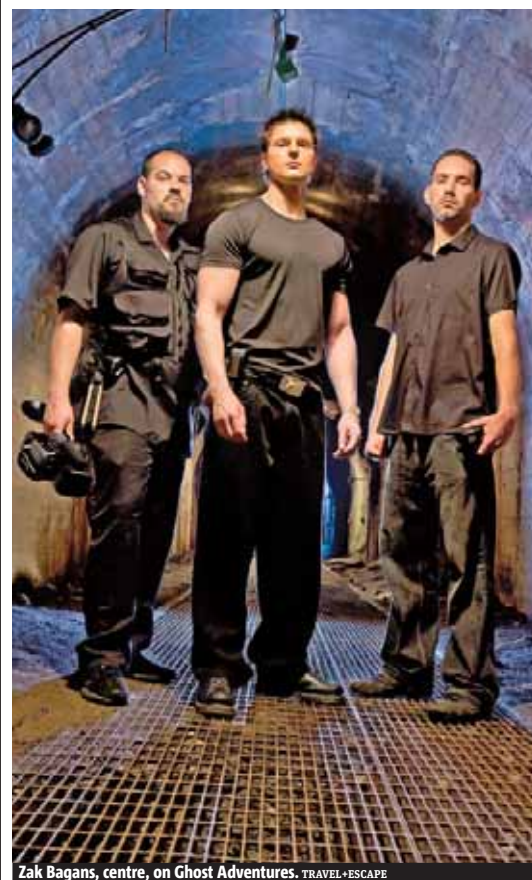
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Zak Bagans, centre, on *Ghost Adventures*. TRAVEL+ESCAPE

The basic tools

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- **Mel meter.** It may look like a cell phone Zack Morris would have owned, but it's really used to pick up electromagnetic energy. "Spirits are made up of energy. ... This can detect the energy. It's like a metal detector."

- **Digital recorder.** Got one of these lying around? You can use it to talk to ghosts. Once you identify some inexplicable energy, record yourself talking to the potential spirit and play it back on a speaker. "These microphones will pick up sounds that we can't hear," Bagans says. "They'll pick up subfrequencies. And when spirits speak they can speak within these subfrequencies, in the white noise that's generated by the recorders."

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word



Kutcher tops TV wage stack



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Here's a little perspective to kick off your week-end: Ashton Kutcher is not only having sexual relations with Mila Kunis but he's also pulling in a whopping \$24 million a year.

So even though Kutcher is the butt of many jokes, maybe he's having the last laugh? According to a new article in Forbes, the Two and a Half Men star earned that huge salary courtesy

of his starring role on the top-rated sitcom, Two and a Half Men (his tech investments also helped).

Following Kutcher were Hugh Laurie and Ray Romano, tied for second place at \$18 million thanks to the syndication of House and Everybody Loves Raymond. Next: Alec Baldwin of 30 Rock and Mark Harmon of NCIS in another tie at \$15 million a year, followed by Tim Allen, star of Last Man Standing, at \$14 million.

Sadly, Jon Cryer, who always played second financial fiddle to Charlie Sheen on Men, is still losing out to his more handsome coworker and is only bringing in \$13 million. One day the nerds will rise, Cryer, and you will have your due.



Katy Perry

Perry's brother admits Mayer isn't Katy's 'one'

Katy Perry may be enjoying her time with John Mayer — this week, at least — but Perry's brother, David Hudson, doesn't think the Teenage Dream singer has met "the one" yet. "She deserves a true gentleman, and I don't think she's found that," Hudson says, according to Hollyscoop, adding

that Perry doesn't "necessarily (need a guy) in the business, just someone that's really got something impressive." Of course, just because her brother isn't happy about her current boyfriend doesn't mean she'll take any of his advice. "She shrugs it off because she's her own person," Hudson admits.



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Jennifer Aniston

Aniston praises fiancé for 'sneakiest' proposal

Jennifer Aniston gives fiancé Justin Theroux high marks for secrecy in the lead-up to his popping the question. "The proposal was one of the sneakiest jobs I've ever seen," Aniston said. "I had no idea."

The actress also has no idea what to wear for her big day, but she knows it won't be experimental. "A bride should look like herself. If you try something new, you'll feel uncomfortable," she said.



Megan Fox ALL PHOTOS GETTY

Fox welcomes her baby boy into the world

Megan Fox gave birth to a baby boy last month, according to E! News, keeping mum about the arrival. Fox and husband Brian Austin Green welcomed son Noah Shannon Green on Sept. 27, a first for the couple.

Green also has a 10-year-old son, Kassius, from a previous relationship. An already pregnant Fox told Cosmopolitan magazine in April that she's "always been maternal" and wants "at least two, probably three kids."

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Sadly, most everywhere else in Canada rum isn't held in such high esteem — proving a favourite of Johnny Depp wannabes and those who find a popular cola brand the ultimate cocktail mix.

While I'm cool with that, there is a certain "je ne sais quoi" to rum that appeals to the pirate in all of us. That said, a glass of rum's 21st century persona is less yo-ho-ho and way more spice — which is opening liquor cabinet doors across the country.

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Bal Arneson, cookbook author and Food Network Canada personality, is definitely one lady who knows her spices. You can watch her reinventing delicious dishes on her popular show, Spice Goddess, as well as a resident judge on Shaw's new cooking series, Cooking with Fire. Here's how Arneson uses Indian spices at home to transform some traditional autumn staples...

Hot Chocolate

"A pinch of clove will give it a nice, fresh flavour. Clove is so strong, so just a tiny, tiny pinch! And, a pinch of cardamon on top of the whipped cream."

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Curried Pumpkin. Transition pie staple to savoury dish



This recipe serves four. SUBMITTED

"One of my jobs as a child was to remove the seeds from the pumpkin before my mom could cook with it," remembers Bal Arneson.

1. Heat the grapeseed oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. When the oil is hot, add the chopped onion and ginger and cook for 2 minutes.

2. Stir in the chopped tomatoes, fenugreek seeds, garam masala, and salt and cook for 5 minutes.

3. Add the cubed pumpkin, vegetable broth and chili to the skillet. Bring everything to boil, then reduce the heat to low. Cook until the

pumpkin is tender, 15-18 minutes. Serve the Curried Pumpkin over rice.

RECIPE COURTESY OF BAL ARNESON

Ingredients

- 3 tbsp (45 ml) grapeseed oil
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 1 tsp (5 ml) chopped ginger
- 1 cup (250 ml) finely chopped tomatoes
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) fenugreek seeds
- 1 tsp (5 ml) garam masala
- salt to taste
- 1 lb (500 g) pumpkin, seeded, peeled, and cubed
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) vegetable broth
- 1 green chili, finely sliced

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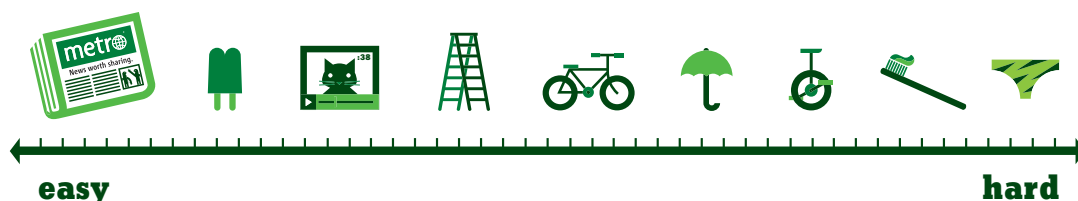
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Light the Night: Steps toward cures

Each year, in communities across Canada, teams or families, friends, co-workers and local and national corporations come together to raise funds for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Canada's (LLSC's) Light The Night Walk events. The participants bring help and hope to people battling blood cancers. This year's event takes place this Saturday night. Starting at the South Commons, participants will loop the city carrying their glowing balloons.
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Saturday night live: Norm MacDonald

Funny man Norm MacDonald comes to The Spatz Theatre stage this Saturday night. Brought to you by Sonic Concerts, MacDonald is fitting Halifax into his east coast tour. The man with the voice grew up through the ranks on Saturday Night Live and won the hearts of comedy lovers with his work in Dirty Work. His stand up act packs a punch so get your tickets now.
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Opening night: Bingo! Neptune

Neptune's 50th anniversary season continues to wow. Next on stage, and opening Friday is Bingo! On stage through Nov. 4, Bingo! tells the story of a 30th high school reunion when five classmates come together in a Cape Breton hotel to celebrate the past. Some are happy to be back home while others see it as an obligation. A few have never left. As tears and liquor flow, decades of dirty laundry is aired and life is re-examined.
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The Halloween Visions of Edgar Allan Poe

Shakespeare by the Sea is offering its original take on the short stories and poems of the legendary horror writer Edgar Allan Poe. The show, titled Nevermore: The Halloween Visions of Edgar Allan Poe is a follow-up to last year's gripping adaptation of Bram Stoker's Dracula. It will be directed by the company's co-artistic director, Jesse MacLean. Tickets are only \$15.
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Mooseheads newcomer MacKenzie Weegar ranks among the league's top 15 defencemen in scoring with a goal and seven assists. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Mooseheads attack firing on all cylinders

QMJHL. Defenceman MacKenzie Weegar has become a key ingredient in 10-1 start for high-flying Halifax



MATTHEW WUEST
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When it came to scoring from the blue-line last season, the Halifax Mooseheads got pretty much all of theirs from Konrad Abeltshauser.

Not anymore.

With newcomer MacKenzie Weegar arriving from Ontario, Abeltshauser, the

QMJHL's top-scoring defenceman, is finally getting some much-needed support on the attack.

Weegar, a Nepean, Ont., native who came to the QMJHL via the waiver system, has a goal and seven assists in 11 games and ranks among the league's top 15 defencemen in scoring.

"I came here to be an offensive defenceman and I've put a few points up, and I'm just trying to help the team as much as I can," Weegar said. "Things have been going good. I'm starting to get used to the atmosphere and I'm sort of showing it."

Weegar, who was claimed off waivers by the Rouyn-Noranda Huskies in 2011

and immediately traded to Halifax, actually made the Mooseheads last season. But he opted to return to Ontario to play junior A for the Nepean Raiders to preserve his NCAA eligibility.

The year served him well. Weegar put up 50 points in 53 games, was a second-team all-star and earned his league's top rookie and top prospect awards. He also got bigger, stronger and improved his skating.

Along with another new arrival from Ontario, 19-year-old free agent Randy Gazzola, the Mooseheads are moving the puck out of their own zone better than ever.

"Both he (Weegar) and Gazzola have both stepped

in and haven't looked out of place at all," said Mooseheads general manager Cam Russell. "In key situations, penalty kill, power play, putting up points.... Our coaches feel comfortable putting him out in any situation right now."

Weegar's contributions have helped the Mooseheads get off to a 10-1 start, No. 1 in the QMJHL. They're riding an eight-game winning streak heading into Friday's 7 p.m. contest against the Sherbrooke Phoenix at the Metro Centre.

"It's been a lot of fun," he said. "We don't want to jinx anything, but hopefully things stay the way they've been going."

Breast cancer night

Thinking pink in the hockey rink

The Halifax Mooseheads are hoping to handle the excitement of another big home game better than they did the last time.

The first-place Mooseheads, who host the Sherbrooke Phoenix on Friday at 7 p.m. at the Metro Centre, are expecting a big crowd for the fifth annual Pink in the Rink night in support of breast cancer research.

There was similar buildup for the Mooseheads' home opener, but they disappointed in a 6-1 loss to the Gatineau Olympiques before a huge crowd of 9,223.

"We learned from opening night.... If we want to be not only a good team, but a great team, it can't affect us," said Mooseheads head coach Dominique Ducharme. "We can't let those things disturb us. We need to focus on the things we can control and that's what we do on the ice."

The Mooseheads' Pink in the Rink record is 0-4 and they've been outscored by a resounding 23-3 margin.

Left-winger Jonathan Drouin, who has missed four straight games with an upper body injury, will be a game-day decision.

Sherbrooke, last in the QMJHL with a 2-8-1 record, will be without first overall pick Daniel Audette because of an injury, according to reports. **MATTHEW WUEST/METRO**

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CIS Football. Huskies hope three times is a charm against Axemen

The Saint Mary's Huskies will get another crack at Atlantic University Sport football's top team on the weekend.

The Huskies, 2-4 and in a battle for their playoff lives, visit the first-place Acadia Axemen, 5-1, in Wolfville on Saturday at 2 p.m.

The teams have already met twice, with Acadia winning the previous matchups 21-16 and 26-10.

"It would be huge (to win), there's no doubt about that," said Huskies head coach Perry Marchese. "All of the games have been big for us, right from the beginning, but no doubt a victory against these guys would be a good morale boost."

Marchese was unhappy with his team's effort last Saturday, when the Huskies lost 25-12 to the Mount Allison Mounties. He said his players have had a "really good week of practice" and that the play-



Huskies head coach Perry Marchese.
METRO FILE

ers are "holding each other accountable."

"Very up-tempo, very competitive," he said.

The Huskies are tied behind Acadia with the Mounties and the St. Francis Xavier X-Men with two games remaining. The second- and third-place finishers make the playoffs.

MATTHEW WUEST/METRO

NBL of Canada

Local Richards lands gig with Rainmen

Tyler Richards' stalled basketball career has new life.

More than three years since the four-time Atlantic University Sport all-star last played for the St. Francis Xavier X-Men, Richards signed Thursday with his hometown Halifax Rainmen after a successful training camp.

Richards is hoping to get back on track after his time with the X-Men ended in suspension when he was charged with assault for an off-court incident in February 2009. The following year, he was sentenced to four

months' house arrest.

"He's going to play," said Rainmen owner Andre Levingston. "Tyler could see significant time with our club."

Levingston said Richards has "turned the corner" with regard to his off-court mistakes and that he's "going to make a lot of people proud."

Richards is expected to suit up on Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Metro Centre when the Rainmen open the National Basketball League of Canada pre-season against the Summerside Storm.

Tickets for Sunday's game are being given away free of charge as part of EastLink Slam Dunk Day.

MATTHEW WUEST/METRO

ALCS. Tigers celebrate series sweep of Yankees

Prince Fielder waved his arms frantically, gleefully calling off his teammates while the crowd at Comerica Park roared.

From the moment the big first baseman signed his massive contract in January, an entire city had been waiting for a chance to celebrate like this. After another dazzling effort by Detroit's starting pitchers and another soaring home run by Miguel Cabrera, Fielder caught the final out on Thursday to send the Tigers to the World Series — with a sweep of the New York Yankees, no less.

"There's still a long way to go but this is an awesome feeling," Fielder said.

Max Scherzer capped a stu-

NLCS

Adam Wainwright threw seven innings of four-hit ball and the St. Louis Cardinals roughed up Tim Lincecum and the San Francisco Giants in an 8-1 rout Thursday night that gave them a 3-1 lead in the NL championship series.

pendous stretch for Detroit's rotation, and the Tigers won their second pennant in seven years by beating New York 8-1.

"Yeah, we did it," Cabrera said. "It's an unbelievable feeling.... Four more wins, guys. Four more wins."

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NHL lockout anguish mounts for Sid the Kid

Overseas options.

Pittsburgh Penguins captain from Cole Harbour considers heading to Europe as labour talks stall

There was simply no way for Sidney Crosby to hide his disappointment.

Just one week after telling The Canadian Press he was confident a deal could be struck that would save the NHL season, the Pittsburgh Penguins captain acknowledged Thursday that he was going to start looking closer at what options might be available for him in Europe.

"A little harder, yeah," Crosby said. "I think that's something that everyone's got to figure out. You try to figure out where things stand and I don't think they're in a great spot right now."

Crosby was one of 18 players to attend a bargaining session that saw the NHL Players' Association table three proposals. The league quickly dismissed each of them.

It came on the heels of an offer from the league that would see revenues split 50-50 and have a full 82-game season start on Nov. 2. Crosby left Toronto feeling less certain that any NHL hockey would be played at all this year.

The labour impasse comes



Cole Harbour native Sidney Crosby speaks to journalists after NHL collective-bargaining talks Thursday in Toronto.
CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

at a time when Crosby is as healthy as he's been in a long time. Severely hindered by concussion-related problems the past two seasons, he's symptom-free now and anxious to get back to playing meaningful games.

Despite the obvious insurance issues he'd have to contend with before heading to Europe, it's looking more likely he'll have to join the roughly 150 other locked-out NHLers abroad to resume playing.

A nagging concern for the NHL's most recognizable player is his belief that the league isn't committed to negotiating a fair contract.

Quoted

"Today really wasn't a step in the right direction if that's what we're trying to do."

Pittsburgh captain Sidney Crosby discusses his frustration with NHL labour talks

"When you look at the offers, it's pretty clear," Crosby said. "I don't know if their willingness to negotiate has really shown through their offers. They've been kind of hardline offers, take it or leave it."

Crosby entered the NHL

following the lockout that claimed the entire 2004-05 season and played a big role in the success the league enjoyed afterwards. Despite the bad feelings that have crept into CBA negotiations, he doesn't expect that it will dampen his enthusiasm to help the NHL grow the game once the work stoppage comes to an end.

"Hopefully, we're not at that point yet," Crosby said. "You have to separate those things. It is a business at the end of the day. That's the darker side of things and nobody likes dealing with this."

"It's not good for anyone, that's the bottom line."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Soccer. Halifax's Hart takes fall for Honduras loss

In a corridor under the stands at the decrepit Estadio Olimpico Metropolitano, a numb Stephen Hart refused to make excuses after watching Canada implode in a shocking 8-1 loss to Honduras.

The Halifax native's team was well-prepared. The heat was not a factor. His players were all professionals.

Reminded that he was not on the field during the debacle, Hart paused and said simply: "But it's my responsibility."

Hart, 52, lived up to that credo two days later by handing in his resignation as national men's soccer coach.

"He's a good football man. He's a good man, period," Victor Montagliani, president of the Canadian Soccer Association, said in a conference call on Thursday.

"This game is a beautiful game but at times it can be cruel," he added. "And I think we all know what needed to happen."

The resignation will not be

welcomed by the majority of Hart's players, who regarded their laid-back coach with respect and affection.

"The disaster in Honduras had nothing to do with coaching or tactics," said Bedford fullback Ante Jazic, who missed Tuesday's game because of illness. "Ultimately with that result, that scoreline, heads were going to roll. But we the players have to take full responsibility with that performance."

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Stephen Hart
CANADIAN SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Hart's record

Hart's 20-15-10 record in various stints from 2006 to 2012 ranks him second in wins and first in win percentage among Canadian coaches.

- He worked through the CSA coaching ranks and had stints as interim coach of the men's team before getting the job for good in December 2009.

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March 21 - April 20

There may be an element of truth in what others are saying about you today, so don't just ignore it. You're not too old to learn and the best kind of learning is the kind that increases your self-awareness.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

A rather tense day is possible and, just this once, you may have no option but to confront someone you don't get along with. Where some issues are concerned, there can be no middle ground. Fight to win.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Daydreaming can be a lot of fun but don't let it keep you from doing what you should be doing. Routine tasks may be boring but they must be done and they must be done well, so get on with it.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Do not be offended if a loved one wants to spend some time alone. They have some serious inner issues to deal with and the only way they can do that is to isolate themselves from outside influences.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

There is no point getting angry about what happens today. All you can do is let fate take its course and hope it leads you somewhere worth going. Don't take your frustrations out on those who care for you.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Give yourself permission to try new things. Don't worry that others might say you are being irresponsible. If you can dream it, you can do it — it's as simple as that. Maybe that's what they are afraid of.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You will get the chance to get rid of something that is holding you back from fulfilling your potential. Take it or you may look back in a few weeks and wish you had been a bit more adventurous.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Someone has let you down and your first reaction will be to do something nasty to them in return. If you get into the revenge business, you could start a feud that never ends.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

The depth of your feelings may be making you uncomfortable but there is no point pretending they do not exist. No matter how hard you try to deny them, they will bounce back even stronger.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You won't be pleased if someone treats your concerns in a flippant manner but try not to overreact. When all is said and done, there are more important things on which you should be spending your precious time and energy.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You are a force to be reckoned with and anyone who does not believe that now will be made to believe it when the Sun changes signs on the 23rd. You have big plans, plans that will soon turn into realities.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

No matter how much others may mock your beliefs, you intend to stick with them. Deep down, your critics know they are the ones who are on the wrong track. That's why they think you're so dangerous. The truth hurts. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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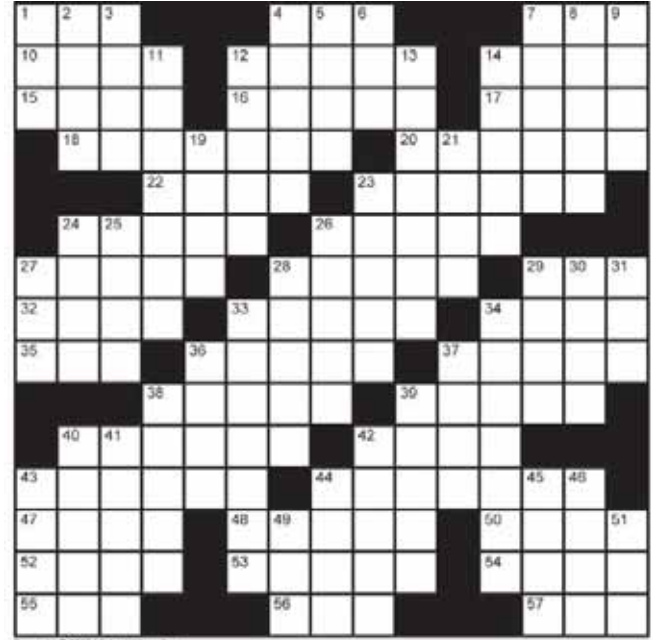
Across

1. Common conjunctions
4. Meadow
7. Morning times, for short
10. Night: Fr.
12. Whole grains add this to a diet
14. *Elizabeth* star Blanchett
15. Nobel peace prize presentation site
16. Brain sections
17. Angel: Fr.
18. Tim ____
20. Margot ____: Yellowknife-born Lois Lane
21. Portrayer in four Superman movies
22. Cinnabar and hematite
23. Gasoline units
24. Movie theatres: Fr.
26. Leg: Fr.
27. Robson et Logan, par exemple
28. Birch bark boat
29. Broadcaster based in Toronto
32. River through Florence
33. Nickels-and-____: bothers with trivialities
34. Took care of an IOU
35. ____ and outs
36. Heads: Fr.
37. Ladies: Fr.
38. Bank repositories
39. More adorable
40. Cinnamon and saffron
42. Act a bit vexed
43. BC fisherman's pursuit
44. Fries, cheese, and gravy dish
47. Another word for margarine
48. British spy novelist John Le ____ (*The Spy Who*

Came in From the Cold; Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy) (the pseudonymous last name means "the square" in French)

Down

1. Sean Lennon's mother Yoko
2. Toronto-based "Tom Sawyer" group
3. Farm storage site
4. Vancouver CFL Team
5. Diminishes
6. Exist
7. *Biography* cable channel (3 wds.)
8. Homeowners' loans: abbr.
9. Crystal ball gazer
11. Canada's largest city
12. Floating ice sheets
13. Edmonton's CFL team
14. Core group of trained personnel
19. Very: Fr.
21. "Let ____": Beatles album and song (2 wds.)
23. Country roads
24. Cob covering
25. Overnight stops
26. "Bond, ____ Bond"
27. Après Avril



28. Gives a ticket
29. Arrived
30. Coffin support
31. Audiophile's collection
33. Football side that doesn't have the ball
34. Hamburgers-to-be
36. Mexican restaurant fare
37. Composition for two
38. ____ and Garfunkel
39. Brutal
40. Artillery burst
41. "Guilty" and "not guilty"
42. "You're asking ____!" (2 wds.)
43. Je ____: I am (in French)
44. Baby buggy, to Brits
45. Small iPod model
46. Vingt- ____: blackjack, from French for "21" (2 wds.)
49. Soul: Fr.
51. Can. Army rank

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4	7	8	2	6	1	9	3	5
1	5	9	4	7	3	2	8	6
3	2	6	8	5	9	4	7	1
9	4	2	6	1	7	8	5	3
7	1	3	5	2	8	6	9	4
8	6	5	3	9	4	7	1	2

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